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Shatin	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.51	7.31
Tai Po	7.16	9.48	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.04	7.44
Tai Po Market	7.21	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	6.08	7.48
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Shuanghu	7.42	10.13	11.29	12.59	2.13	5.33	6.29	8.09
Shumshu	7.49	10.19	11.35	13.05	2.19	5.39	6.35	8.15

Stations	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.
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Fanning	8.09	10.39	11.55	13.25	2.39	5.59	6.55	8.35
Tai Po Market	8.14	10.44	12.00	13.30	2.44	6.04	7.00	8.40
Tai Po	8.28	10.58	12.14	13.44	2.58	6.18	7.14	8.54
Shatin	8.40	11.10	12.26	13.56	3.10	6.30	7.26	9.06
Yau Ma Tei	8.52	11.22	12.38	14.08	3.22	6.42	7.38	9.18
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Shatin	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	5.51	7.31
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Tai Po Market	8.28	10.54	11.56	13.16	2.56	6.16	7.12	8.52
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FRENCH RAILWAY CRASHES AN EXPLANATION OF THE MAIN CAUSES.

The terrible series of accidents on the French railways which have occurred lately have profoundly shocked not only the people themselves, but all who have to travel in the country. Within this period thirty-four persons have been killed and 284 injured in the course of thirteen different accidents, so that already the casualty list for 1925 is higher than for the whole of either the two preceding years. The public would pass over one or two accidents with a shrug of the shoulders and an appreciative smile at such sarcastic headlines as "Event of the day! No accident on such and such a line!" But thirteen, one after another, has made them seriously angry, and their anger is reflected in categorical Ministerial promises of better things. The companies themselves appear to take matters much more calmly and have promised nothing.

Analysis shows that no fewer than eleven of these accidents have been due to derailments and only two to collisions. But it is not safe to assume therefore that the main cause is faulty material equipment. On the whole, the damage caused during 1914-19 to the permanent way has been completely made good, and upon the lines chiefly affected renewals were complete over a year ago. The accident statistics faithfully reflect this improvement in the condition of the lines. The death-roll reached its highest point (343) in 1918, fell to 89 in 1920, rose to 121 in 1921, chiefly owing to the Batignolles accident, and fell again to 27 in 1922. Since that time a very large programme of renewals and improvements has been carried out. It is fair to say, therefore, that the bad condition of the permanent way as a cause of accidents has been almost entirely eradicated.

ROLLING STOCK.

The position is different in regard to rolling stock. The French themselves attribute the greater number of recent accidents to the making up of trains with heterogeneous carriages of varying weight and construction. On a train so composed, directly any considerable speed is attained the lighter carriages begin to jump on the rails. If one of them actually leaves the rails it is enough to drag the heavier carriages after it, and in the resulting smash the lighter carriages are, of course, reduced to match-wood. The effect, for example, of a 40-ton goods wagon telescoping a light old-type passenger coach must be the certain death of everybody in the latter. And it must be remembered that not only is French rolling stock—especially goods wagons—very much heavier on the average than British, but also the French lines have to carry a far greater proportion of special stock, such as sleeping and restaurant cars, of enormous weight. The companies frankly admit that the normal practice of running only the heavier modern carriages on fast trains is abandoned in times of abnormal traffic, notably during the public holidays of Easter, Whitsuntide, July 14th, and August 15th. At such periods old stock, normally confined to branch and secondary lines, is brought out of disrepair and promoted to service on the *grandes lignes*. There is, the companies contend, no alternative. The replacement of obsolete carriages is a gradual process, whose speed is limited by a possible total output and expense in any one year. But they maintain that the older stock does not cause accidents, although admittedly it makes accidents, when they occur, more serious.

Assuming this to be true, and there is some truth in it, the main cause of accidents must be looked for in the character of the railway staff and the conditions under which they work. Three of the most serious of recent accidents have been due to excessive speed of the trains. Now, undoubtedly the French driver is prone at times to adventurous frenzy, a psychological state, which he himself calls *l'ennemi*. But he is actively encouraged to do so. Each journey is taken as a unit, and if the train does not arrive on time the driver is fined so much for every minute he is late. Further, supposing the journey is from Paris to Marseilles, and the train, which changes drivers at Lyons, is thirty minutes late there, the second driver receives a bonus for every minute he makes up before Marseilles. This system, however admirable in keeping trains to time, puts a premium on recklessness, for although there are maximum permitted speeds at stated points, it is to the interest of the driver to disregard them. The simple remedy would be to abandon the policy of working up the scheduled speed of expresses and slow down every train in France. M. Clavelle, when Minister of Public Works after the war, adopted this plan, with miraculous results.

PAY AND CONDITIONS.

It is natural that French railwaymen should take every opportunity of increasing their pay, the basis rates of which, even allowing for the internal value of the franc, are incomparably lower than in Great Britain. A French express driver on first promotion receives in all about 9,000f. (£90) a year, or just over 34s. a week. After 20 years' service he may be earning as much as 15,000f. (£150) a year, or 23 s. a week. A porter starts with 240, rising to 270 a year.

(Continued on next column).

"MILLIONS OF FOOLS."

POET'S REBUKE TO AUSTRALIAN LABOUR LEADER.

The seamen's strike in Australia has given rise to an incident on which a member of the staff of the Sydney *Sun* has been moved to make a poetic comment. Former soldiers expressed resentment at the statement by the president of the Seamen's Union (Mr. T. Walsh) that the soldiers who fought in the late war were "millions of fools." The State president of the Victorian branch of the Returned Soldiers' League (Mr. E. W. Mylrea) said that Mr. Walsh's statement was outrageous. The poem published by our Australian contemporary is as under:—

"Wot makes a soldier's 'cart to penk,
"Wot makes 'im to perspire?"
Asked Kipling's Mr. Atkins
"Tween a battle and a drink;
He found it wasn't soldiers' pay,
Or charging under fire—
'Twas just a camel—nothing more;
A brute that couldn't think.

"Twas the Oonts, meaning camels—a very
silly lot,
With nasty snaky tempers and a
minimum of pride;
For they'd balk and grunt while living
till they got a soldier shot
And poison all the atmosphere and
water when they died.

As Digger Smith, of Anywhere,
Stands busy at his bench,
He ponders now the same old theme
In philosophic mood:
He says, "Tis queer I don't regret
The vigils of the trench—
The leg I lost was worth the pals
I made in Deyl's Wood.

"And the Oonts, out in Egypt—they
were all the poet said.
—But it makes me feel as foolish as a
camel just to know
That so many of my cobbors on the fields
of war 're dead
For, the wise, courageous gentleman,
who felt he couldn't go!"

PORPOISE'S DIET.

HALF A STONE OF HERRINGS DAILY.

Polly, a full-grown porpoise, the chief attraction at Brighton Aquarium, has been trained in three days to take her food from the hands of the chief attendant, Mr. F. Brown, who, after 45 years among the fish and marine animals exhibited at the Aquarium, has a mysterious control over his charges.

Polly now devours half a stone of herrings each day, and within a week her rations will be doubled.

At feeding time fascinated visitors watch Mr. Brown as, with a weird call, which the porpoise apparently understands, he holds a herring above the water for Polly's acceptance.

"When caught porpoises usually go on hunger-strike," Mr. Brown stated recently, "but Polly is already tame and feeding well. Soon I shall teach her to dive through a hoop held in the water and to perform other tricks."

One interesting feature of the French system is that bachelors are paid less than married men—in other words, there is a marriage allowance, plus an annual bonus for each child.

Other conditions of work on the railway seem fairly satisfactory. The eight-hour day is strictly observed, and some effort is made to put on to tasks only men qualified to do them, by a system of medical and technical examination. One suspects that both are in some cases only formal, at least two of the recent accidents having been due, the one to ill-health and the other to inexperience. This gives rise to the belief that the companies have not sufficient trained men to replace their skilled personnel at times when the greatest number are simultaneously on holiday. The fault, if fault there be, is entirely that of the companies. For the latter admit that, although the railwaymen are highly "syndicalised"—i.e., organized, there is never any attempt at interference in technical matters on the part of the railway trade unions.

It is really, however, not so much parsimony or technical backwardness that is the matter with the French railways, as a quite peculiar and, to us, extraordinary mental outlook. Every time there is an accident there follows a *furor* of complaint and demands for reform. Little or nothing is done, and in a few days all is forgotten. The companies go placidly on with their by no means negligible programmes, the public continues to travel, the Ministries cease to make statements to the Press. It is a product of the same mentality that, just as the Romans invariably built a new house on top of an old without destroying it, so the French dovetail modern into ancient in their programme of railway development. Thus it is that a tremendous scheme of electrification to cover one-third of the French railway system exists side by side with some of the oldest rolling stock in the world. So long as this mentality exists there will be accidents in France over and above those inevitable upon any railway system.

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JAPANESE 'ANTI-BRITISH OUTBURST.

PROMOTER OF THE FAMOUS "NISHIHARA LOANS" TO
CHINA POURS FORTH HIS WRATH.

BRITAIN SAID TO HAVE DOMINATED JAPAN.

The author of the so-called Nishihara loans, Mr. Nishihara Kamezo, contributes to the August number of the *Diplomatic Review* a long article giving his impressions and sentiments concerning China, where he was travelling lately and the policy which Japan should pursue in regard to that country. In the course of that article the following passage occurs:—

"China's demands against foreigners are now directed chiefly against Britain. The indignation of the whole Chinese people is roused to the utmost at the pressure which Britain has imposed on them for many years past and her insatiable policy of exploitation, and they are now determined to chastise Britain and demolish Britain's special privileges and aggressive measures in China as a blood-offering to China's emancipation. Since the Opium War, Britain has pursued an undisguised aggressive policy in China, subjected her to every unequal treatment, and put the utmost restraint upon her national power. The establishment of leased territory, the creation of spheres of influence, the control of Customs inaugurated by Britain and some of them privileges enjoyed by Britain exclusively, Japan, and other Powers having merely imitated Britain's policy or encroached upon China at Britain's instigation. As the prosperity of China may affect Britain's position in the world or at least in the Far East, it has been Britain's settled policy to hinder China's spontaneous development by inflicting pressure and restraints on her and depriving her of her welfare and prosperity by exploiting her natural resources. If China is the victim of unequal international treatment carried to extreme lengths, and suffers a worse humiliation and stronger pressure even than Turkey, it is all the result of Britain's policy. It is also due to British exploitation and restraints that things are still so unsettled in China and the Chinese people find it so hard to organise a strong national system."

PERTINENT CRITICISM.

Illuminating comments on Mr. Nishihara's anti-British outburst are contained in an editorial in a recent issue of the *Japan Chronicle*, from which we reproduce an extract. After the Shanghai trouble, remarks our contemporary, "the Press in Japan was almost unanimous in its conviction that the Chinese were very much more hostile towards Britain than towards Japan. The papers varied in their estimates of just how much the Chinese liked or disliked the Japanese, but they were unanimous regarding their dislike for Britain; they were practically unanimous also as regards the desirability of Japan treating China in this trouble with much more liberality than Britain would treat her. This being the goosetop of the Press in Japan, we may fairly assume that the Japanese Press in

China kept in time with it. Certainly Mr. Nishihara keeps step with great emphasis. His article is a gross attack on Britain, and this sort of thing has been manufactured for Chinese consumption in bulk. As to the total effect of such propaganda, it may not be commensurate with the effort, but Chinese politicians are quite clever enough to tell from these weather-cocks which way the wind blows and to utilise their opportunities accordingly. It is strange that in all this we hear not a word of the famous Anglo-Japanese Alliance, which, we have often been told, 'kept the peace of the Far East for twenty years.' Mr. Nishihara can hardly avoid the historic fact that during the period of encroachment, Japan was not inactive; but he sticks to it that Britain was the prime mover in all wickedness and aggression, and that Japan followed unwillingly at her heels from force of example and circumstances. She is very sorry now and wants to show China how friendly she really is. Mr. Nishihara talks of the sacrifices that Japan has made since the Paris Conference—since the Washington Conference would have been more accurate—and he suggests that this should show China how much better it would be to co-operate with Japan than to remain associated with the Powers. The statement suggests a rather interesting line of thought, however, which Mr. Nishihara does not pursue, though his own performances suggest it. It is this: that while the Anglo-Japanese Alliance was in force it came to be regarded by the Japanese as an instrument for aggression against China, so powerful a combination preventing other Powers from offering any comment on any forward move by Britain or Japan.

WHEN JAPAN MADE HAY.

During the war Japan had a great opportunity in the Chinese field, and in none of her performances was there any lack of the aggressive spirit. Least aggressive outwardly, perhaps, was the policy of which Mr. Nishihara was the protagonist—that of subjugating China by loans. Mr. Nishihara has a great deal to say now concerning the need for China to have Japan's help in development; but it is well to remember that the Nishihara loans were not for development, but were mainly devoted to the enrichment of corrupt politicians, and contributed in no small measure to the promotion of the Tachibana system which has played such havoc in China.

THE "GENERAL TREND."

RECENT ADVANCES AND DECLINES
IN VALUES OF STOCKS.

Students of finance, says the *Financial News*, attach more importance to what may be termed the "general trend" than do the investing public interested in one or more individual stocks. In the last-named division may be found shareholders alarmed at a reactionary tendency in their favourite security. Nine times out of ten this is due to the general trend of the particular section involved. When the swing of the pendulum is in the upward direction the same investors become enthusiastic as to the merits of their selected stocks, and are apt to ignore the "general trend."

It is for this reason that the mixed showing made by the *Bankers' Magazine* for August is of exceptional interest. Its representative list of 385 securities shows a net aggregate increase of \$14,560,000 from mid-June to mid-July, but an analysis discloses the fact that this advance on balance has been attained at the expense of a series of substantial declines of a sectional character offset by notable advances.

The latter fall mainly under three heads, two of which prove of material interest to the British public, viz., a marked recovery in gilt-edge securities

and a proportionately greater advance in Rubber share values; the third head, that of United States railway stocks. Passing over the last named as of circumscribed interest, it is refreshing to find that 19 British and Indian Funds record an aggregate increase in capital value of £38,630,000 on the month. The investing public will also be gratified to note that of nine selected Rubber shares, of a nominal capitalization of £5,402,000, an appreciation in the neighbourhood of £2,540,000 has been established during the period under review.

Conversely, iron, coal and steel shares of a par value of about £58,300,000 disclose a fall in value of £1,946,000. Of the Home Railway issues falling within the variable-dividend category a shrinkage of £10,167,000 is recorded, although fixed interest debenture stocks in the same group reveal an appreciation of £2,348,000. The well-spread industrial securities selected by our authority show a fall of £11,455,000 on the month.

Relative par values have considerable bearing on the fluctuations covered by the statistics, and in stating that the rubber shares indicate a percentage increase of 23.5, a notable feature in any circumstance, it will be seen that the theory of a "general trend" in a particular direction is of prime importance to those outside the pale of confidential information as to individual movements.

COMPANY MEETING.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND
MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, Limited, took place at the office of Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., yesterday morning. Mr. R. Shewan presided, and those present were: Messrs. A. H. White and T. G. Weall (Directors), Mr. R. F. Mattingly (Solicitor to the Company), Mr. E. M. da Rocha (Secretary), and the following shareholders: Messrs. F. A. Brown, B. Souza, W. J. Hawker, W. Morley, H. H. Taylor, D. W. Munton, Tse Tsan Tai, A. L. Shields, W. J. Carroll, M. A. Figueiredo and Tong Hok Ting.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting, and also the following Extraordinary Resolutions:—

- (1) That the authorised capital of the Company (which is now \$6,000,000) consisting of 600,000 shares of the nominal value of \$10 each of which \$96,247 have been issued) be increased to \$7,500,000 by the creation of 150,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$10 each ranking (subject as hereinafter mentioned) for dividend and in all other respects *pari passu* with the shares constituting the Company's present issued capital.
- (2) That it is desirable to effect an amalgamation of the Company with the Hongkong Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, and that accordingly (subject to the approval of a Special Resolution of the shareholders of that Company but not otherwise) the draft Agreement submitted to this meeting and expressed to be made between that Company and its Liquidator of the one part and this Company of the other part be hereby approved and that the General Managers of this Company be authorised pursuant to Section 185 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 to enter into an Agreement with that Company and its Liquidator in the terms of the said draft and to carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications as they think expedient.
- (3) That the General Managers be at liberty to allot to the Liquidator of the Hongkong Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, or his nominees three of the \$10-shares of this Company (credited as fully paid up) in respect of every five of the issued \$10 shares in that Company (credited as paid up to the extent of \$6) and also for the convenience of the said Liquidator to issue such fractional certificates as the said Liquidator shall think necessary or desirable to enable him to divide the said shares in this Company in due proportions among the persons entitled to them.
- (4) That the shares so allotted to the nominees of the Liquidator of the Hongkong Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, shall rank for dividend and bonus as from the 1st day of January, 1925, and that fractional certificates shall confer no right to dividend.
- (5) That such shares if any in this Company as shall be so offered as aforesaid and declined (but not the remainder of the new shares of this Company created by the first preceding resolution) be disposed of in such manner as such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's General Managers shall in their absolute discretion think fit.

THE CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

The CHAIRMAN said:—The object of the Resolutions just read and which are now submitted for your approval is to enable our Company to take over all the Assets, Liabilities and Business of the Hongkong Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, as a "going concern" and in payment therefor to allot the Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, 60,000 shares of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company, Limited, of the nominal value of \$600,000. The price at first glance may seem liberal, but we could not build such a fleet for that price to-day nor can we wait a year, before they are built and besides this there is the profit made by the Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, this year, which will also be handed over to us to be taken into consideration.

The reason why the Tug and Lighter Company, Limited, is willing to sell and we are desirous of buying is that the tendency is for more and more of the lighterage business to come to us, as since the boycott and scarcity of labour, stokers of cargo have begun to rely on us to do the whole business of landing and storing in one transaction rather than lose time in going to the one Company for the landing and to the other for the storing. Lighterage has thus become a part of our business and for it Tugs and Lighters must be obtained. As to build is out of the question, we approached the Tug and Lighter Company and the present proposal is the result.

The arrangement is one which I feel sure will be for the benefit of the Shareholders of both Companies, and I have no hesitation in recommending it to you although as you know I am also interested in the Tug and Lighter Company, being in fact its Chairman and it is difficult to serve two Masters.

(Continued on next Column).

"FINE!"

A JAPANESE VISIT TO BRIGHTON.

The *Brighton Herald* of July 18th contains an account of the visit of four Japanese gentlemen to Brighton. Perhaps Mayors is an allowable translation of the title of the functionaries more generally known as Headmen, but there is no Ministry of Health in Japan, and we have never heard of the Government sending headmen abroad on tours of investigation, comments the *Japan Chronicle*. However, Brighton was hospitable, and the visitors enjoyed their trip. Though it was a little unfortunate that the only one who spoke English was so concise as to restrict the expression of his reactions to "Fine!" The things they saw at Brighton will, no doubt, inspire them to new efforts in improving the sanitation of their somewhat obscure villages. The story reads:—

Four Japanese Mayors have, through the instrumentality of the Ministry of Health, paid two visits to Brighton during the past week. The visitors were Messrs. Kiyasu Koyano, Mayor of Masu-Mura; Nakamura Deuchiro, Mayor of Tokiwa; Nobu Nitta, Mayor of Chigasaki; and Yausu Fukuzawa, Mayor of Akano and Vice-President of the National Association of Town and Village Headmen. Mr. Koyano, a particularly genial little gentleman, as being able to speak English with greater facility than his colleagues, was the leader of the party.

These gentlemen are on a visit to Europe to study Western methods of local government, and they conveyed at Brighton a conviction that they are applying themselves to their task with remarkable energy and enthusiasm.

On Saturday morning they were received by the Mayor of Brighton (Alderman C. J. Teasdale), who gave them some account of how the local municipality is carried on. As the visitors showed a desire to understand how the varied activities of the Corporation are financed, the Mayor secured the aid of the Borough Accountant, Mr. H. M. Stevens, gave a lucid exposition of Brighton's finances, and the visitors were presented with a copy of a handbook on the subject. Later the investigators had a conversation with Mr. F. H. Toynce on the subject of education.

On Wednesday they returned to Brighton, and, under the guidance of Mr. J. E. Miller, of the Higher Education Department, were taken in the Mayor's car to see the Secondary Boys' School, York-place, the new elementary school in Balfour-road, and the new secondary school of girls now in course of erection at Varnham. During the tour, they made notes of matters which they considered of special importance.

The Balfour-road School specially delighted the visitors, who inspected numerous specimens of the children's work. At York-place, the Japanese Mayors admired a great many examples of handicrafts, including model aeroplanes, submarines, and torpedo boats.

They were much impressed with the beauty of the surroundings amid which the new secondary school for girls is rising into being, and were most interested in what they learned as to the extensive purchases of land on the outskirts of the town being made by the Corporation.

When a *Herald* representative approached the party on their return to the Town Hall he found that they had seen and heard so much in a short time that they were temporarily almost bewildered. Asked as to his general impression of Brighton, Mr. Koyano replied "Fine" with great heartiness and evident sincerity.

As we have to create 60,000 New Shares for the purpose of the amalgamation which would bring the Capital up to \$6,000,000, we thought we might as well take advantage of the opportunity to raise the nominal Capital to \$7,500,000 in case of need in the future. The Agreement referred to in the Resolutions is now on the table here and can be inspected by anyone present.

The purpose of this Agreement is, of course, merely to carry out the amalgamation and for nothing else. The First Clause states that the Agreement is conditional on its adoption by the Purchaser before the 31st October, 1925. The Second Clause refers to the transfer of the Assets. The Third, Fourth and Fifth Clauses to the consideration for the transfer, the Sixth states that the shares allotted shall rank for Dividend and Bonus from the 1st January, 1925, but fractional certificates shall confer no such right, the Seventh Clause provides that the transfer shall take effect as from the 1st October, 1925, the Eighth for the payment of all amounts due to dissentient Shareholders of the Vendor, by the Ninth the Vendor and its Liquidator agree to do all things necessary to vest the property in the Purchaser, the Tenth Clause gives the Vendor a lien on all the property until all the monies if any are paid by the Purchaser, the Eleventh Clause provides that if this Agreement is not adopted by both parties before 31st October, 1925, either party may rescind the same. The remaining Clauses are of no special importance, but as I said before the Agreement is lying on the table and can be inspected by any Shareholder who cares to do so.

There were no questions, and the Chairman proposed the Resolutions' one by one. All were carried unanimously by the secondaries, respectively being Messrs. White, Weall, Hawker, Figueiredo and Carroll.

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Of these items provisions, such as canned goods, are strictly dealt with. When rejected, they are thrown away by order of the prefectural office, but other articles, especially piecgoods and hosiery

are liable to escape scrutiny, as they can be marketed at home, when they fail to pass muster as export goods. They are not actually disposed of in the home market, however, but, taking advantage of the absence of an embargo, find their way abroad to work mischief to standardised Japanese merchants. This gap in the law must be stopped, says the Guild, if the reputation of Japanese goods is to be protected abroad. According to the *Yushin Nippo*, a general meeting of members will be called shortly in order to discuss the subject with a view to secure the co-operation of all in devising an effective measure.

All this, comments the *Japan Chronicle* tartly, is insincere nonsense. If an exporter takes care to send sound goods, he need not fear what others do. In fact, he will get the business that the dishonest ones lose.

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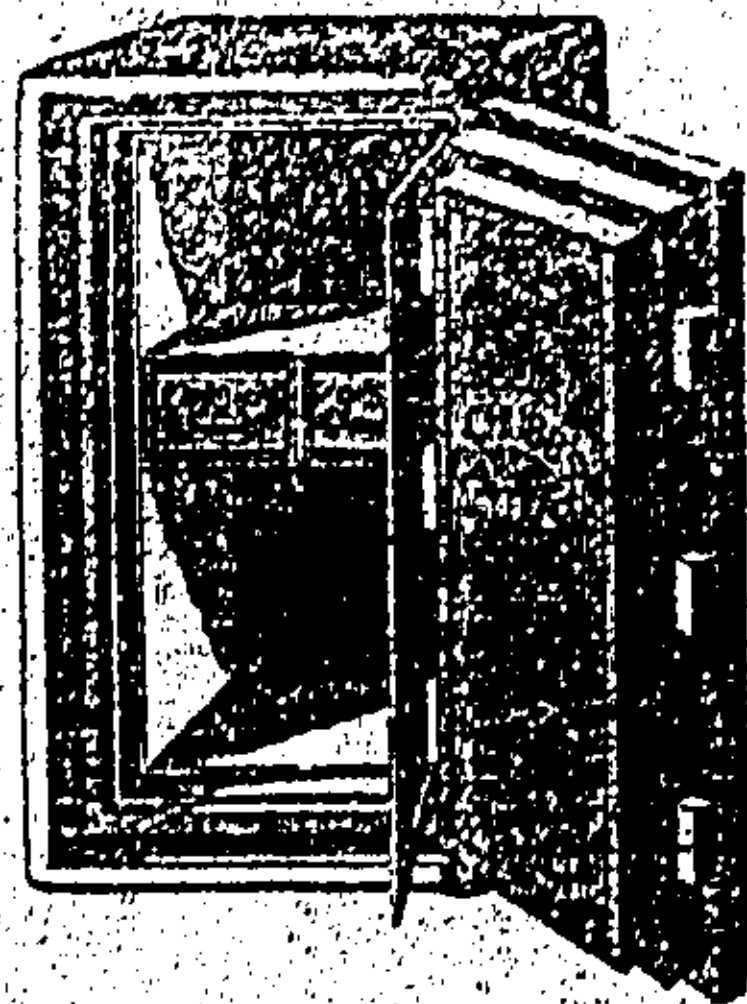
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THE MILITARY MUDDLE IN CANTON.

RAPID CHANGES IN THE GOVERNMENT.

WHO'S WHO UP-TO-DATE.

[From Our Chinese Correspondent.]

From the European point of view it appears that as soon as a General in Canton gains any prominence he is either arrested by a rival with greater power, or chased out of the country. Three months ago, when the Government was installed with great ceremony, Wu Hon Man was at the head of affairs. He remained in the chair for about two months. Then Liu Chung Hoi came to the front. He was assassinated and Wu Hon Man, being accused of participation in the crime, was thrown into prison and for a while there seemed to be some likelihood that he would be shot. In the place of Wu Hon Man, General Chiang Kai Shek took command, with General Hsu Chung Chi and Wong Ching Wei as his colleagues. Now General Hsu Chung Chi has slipped away just in time to escape arrest. According to the official mandate "he has applied for leave of absence to go to Shanghai to recuperate his health." Our correspondent gives us the following interesting review of the position in Canton at the moment.

General Chiang Kai Shek, the Commander-in-Chief of the Red Army, may now be regarded as the new "war lord" of the South, as he has obtained full command of all troops, mercenary, Red, Cantonese and non-Cantonese—through a mandate issued by three of the sixteen commissioners of the Kuomintang Government in Canton on September 20th.

The mandate reads as follows:—
"Retiring Commander-in-Chief of the Cantonese Army Hsu Chung Chi, having applied for leave of absence to go to Shanghai in order to recuperate his health, the work of winding up the affairs of this army shall be entrusted to Chiang Kai Shek, Chief of Staff."
Hsu Chung Chi being on leave, Tan Yen Kai is hereby ordered to act, *ad interim*, as the Military Commissioner of the Kuomintang Government.

"The troops in Tungku, Tsinshin, Bo On, and vicinity shall be under the command of Chiang Kai Shek."

"Kwan Tao, a Military Commissioner and Commissioner-General, is hereby dismissed from service; Lee Hung Kee, Finance Commissioner of Kwangtung, is hereby dismissed from service."

"It is hereby ordered that Fan Ki Mo shall be appointed Commissioner-General of the Army; and Soong Tze Yen, Finance Commissioner of Kwangtung."

As is well known, General Hsu Chung Chi and the leading members of his staff have been chased out of Canton in accordance with the Bolshevik plans for getting all power into their own hands. The mandate was signed by Dr. O. C. Wu, Wang Ching Wei, and Tan Yen Kai.

General Hsu Chung Chi, who has been a supporter of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen's party for the last 20 years, was one of those who assisted General Chiang Kai Shek to have Wu Hon Man, Leung Hung Kai, and other "lukewarm" Bolsheviks arrested on August 29th. His forced retirement from the Canton politico-military muddle has been expected for sometime, but it has surprised a good many of the Chinese that he and his immediate followers should have been dismissed so ingloriously.

CANTONESE NOW IN OFFICE.

Cantonese still holding office in the Kuomintang Government, but without military power of any consequence, include Wang Ching Wei, Chairman of the Executive Commission of the Kuomintang Government; Dr. O. C. Wu, Chairman of the Canton Municipal Commission; Sun Fo, Reconstruction Commissioner; General Wu To Chen, Chief of Canton Police; General Li Fook Lam, Deputy Garrison Commissioner of Canton; and Tang Chak Yu, Salt Commissioner.

To those who understand Kuomintang politics in Canton, it is evident that the "Elders" clique is now "down and out" with Liu Chung Hoi, late Labour Division Chief, assassinated, and Wu Hon Man, Hsu Chung Chi, and others dismissed from service. The "Prince" clique, however, is still holding out. Sun Fo, son of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, and the recognized leader of the "Prince" clique, is still in name Reconstruction Commissioner, but, in fact, his duties are being carried out by his private secretary, S. Y. Wu, Mr. Sun's uncle. Soong Tze Yen, Mrs. Sun Yat-sen's brother, one of the leading supporters of the "Prince" party, is now holding many important offices, including the posts of managing-director of the Central Bank, Commerce Commissioner of the Kuomintang, manager of the Chinese-Soviet Trade Bureau, Canton Salt District Inspector, and the newly designated post of Finance Commissioner of Kwangtung. Foo Ping Sheng, Foreign Commissioner for Canton, and other "Prince" followers are also still holding offices.

MILITARY SITUATION.

So far the militarists and politicians planning to overthrow the Bolshevik regime in Canton have not yet taken any action, beyond dispatching agents to possible adherents with offers of "military stations" in the future and so much *Hoi Duk Poi*, or money, on the nail. There are a good many agents of the militarists in the Chinese clubs at the present time bargaining for *Hoi Duk Poi* or other advantages before their principals will move.

Information given out by opponents to the Reds in Canton states that General Tang Cho Yau, of Yunnan, will dispatch troops to attack Canton from three directions and that General Liu Chen Huan, the Kwangsi mercenary commander, whose men were driven from Canton by the Reds last June, will soon return to Kwangsi to co-operate in the movement. General Liu has arrived at Hongkong, but not yet gone to Kwangsi.

General Yang Kwan Yu, commander at Waichow, who was originally a supporter of Chan Kwong Ming, but later became a Red officer in order to retain his post, is now finding himself in a curious position. Should General Chan return to Waichow, he will have a good many explanations to make. Chinese soldiers, however, now change colour so easily that it is not considered Yang will be at a loss.

A SAFE ROUTE.

DESPATCHING GOODS TO CANTON Via SHANGHAI.

A local Chinese merchant firm is advertising that any firm wishing to ship cargo from Hongkong to Canton by a safe route may do so through them.

From enquiries made yesterday, it would appear that the method adopted by this firm is to forward a consignment of goods from here to Shanghai, whence it is transhipped to Canton.

Although this ingenious Chinese method is deserving of credit, it is obvious that this arrangement can only apply to comparatively small consignments, and cannot do much towards relieving the situation with regard to shipping cargo to Canton.

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THE S.S. "HONAM."

The Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's *Honam* resumed her sailings to Canton (following her repairs in dock), yesterday morning, leaving the wharf at 8 a.m. She carried no cargo, but took up mails as she did previously. Approximately 150 passengers left on board, these including about 100 Chinese of the better class. The remainder comprised Europeans for Shanghai, Indians, Japanese and a number of missionaries. The *Honam* is due to return to Hongkong this afternoon.

For one thing it would not pay local merchants to despatch large quantities by the Shanghai route, on account of the expense, and the loss of time.

LOCAL SPORT.

ARMY AQUATICS.

GARRISON CLUB'S SWIMMING GALA.

The first annual swimming gala of the Garrison Recreation Club, held under the patronage of H.E. Major-General C.C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., took place in the R.A.S.C. Camber yesterday evening. The number of spectators was large. The event was a complete success and should encourage swimming enthusiasts in the Garrison to hold it annually.

The arrangements were in the capable hands of Acet. Q.M.S. E. E. Steele, D.C.M., M.M., C.M.A.

The Judges were: Lieut. Colonel W. A. Edmeades, D.S.O., R.A., Capt. D. J. Alfrey, East Surrey Regt.; Lieut. A. J. L. White, R.E.; Lieut. D. M. Rycroft, R.E.; Lieut. E. A. S. Cope, East Surrey Regt.; Capt. C. J. S. Beasley, R.A.; Capt. P. R. Drake-Brockman, East Surrey Regt.; Lieut. J. R. A. Cockayne, East Surrey Regt.; Lieut. H. St. A. Campbell, East Surrey Regt.; Lieut. J. A. Chester, R.A. Medical Officer; Capt. R. F. Walker, M.C., M.B., R.A.M.C. Time-keepers: S.M. J. Goddard, R.E., B.S.M. (I.G.) Godwin, R.A., R.Q.M.S. Chandler, East Surrey Regt. Hon. Sec. and Treasurer: Acet. Q.M.S. E. E. Steele, D.C.M., M.M., C.M.A.

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

At the conclusion of the events, Major R. S. S. Paton, East Surrey Regt., the President, before calling upon H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard to present the prizes, said that it was the first time that the Garrison Club had held a swimming gala. It had only been mooted a short time ago, and he had to bustle around to see what could be done in the way of securing prizes. Considering that he had only a fortnight to do this, he thought he had succeeded very well. He desired to thank Major-General Luard for his gift of a cup for a race open to Officers of the Army. He would also like to thank Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co. for giving a handsome cup for the Individual Army Championship race, and also the Soldier's Club for the presentation of a cup for the Unit Relay Race. Continuing, he said, that he particularly wanted to congratulate the 35th Heavy Battery, R.A., on winning the cup for the Water Polo for the fourth time. It was time some other unit won the competition.

The success of the first annual gathering was very encouraging. He considered that swimming was a very necessary training and he would like to see all men, joining the army, holding certificates of competency in the art. Next year, he hoped to have a real swimming gala and full preparations would be made in time. He would like to thank Mr. Harper for handicapping the children. It had been well done and particularly so in the boys' race. With regard to the girls' race, it was very difficult to handicap in the case of the little Misses Hunt who were extraordinarily fine swimmers. (Cheers.) Concluding, Major Paton thanked Mr. Scott, of the Naval Cadets, for lending chairs for the occasion, and then called on Major-General Luard to distribute the prizes.

IMPRESSED BY WATER POLO.

H.E. Major-General Luard, after presenting the prizes, said it had been a great pleasure for him to be present to watch the sports and to distribute the prizes. He considered that Major Paton had thanked everybody except himself. He would, therefore, thank him for the trouble he had taken in arranging the first swimming gala. He would also thank Capt. Alfrey for his work in connection with the event. Continuing, he said that the first effort had been an extraordinary success. There were a number of good races and close competitions and he considered that the boys' race could not have been better, and as Major Paton had said, the handicapping was wonderfully good. There was in Hongkong every opportunity for bathing under extraordinary good conditions. It was, therefore, not to be wondered at, that people who were unable to swim when they came to Hongkong became good swimmers within a year.

Referring to the water polo competition, the Major-General said he was very interested in it. Curiously enough, it was the first water polo game he had ever seen. He had gone down to the Camber one evening a week ago when a game should have been played, but unfortunately it had not come off. (Laughter.) He considered it as excellent a game as football, the passing and shooting and goal saving on more than one occasion was remarkable and he had enjoyed it very much.

(Continued on next column.)

VICTORIA FETE.

SATISFACTORY ENTRIES FOR SATURDAY.

The entries received for the Victoria Recreation Club's night fete next Saturday are so far satisfactory.

The following ten Hongks have entered for the Team Race: Hongkong and Bank, P.W.D., Butterfield and Swire, Jardine's, Lane & Crawford, Hongkong Electric Company, Asiatic Petroleum Company, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Taikoo Dock Company, Shewan Tomes.

Nine have entered for the Open One Length Scratch Race, but no names have been forwarded to the *Daily Press*.

There will be a water polo match between Kowloon and Hongkong. The teams are:—

Kowloon:—E. Raitton (capt.), A. Duncan, V. Reed, G. Jack, V. Ramsay, B. Rasmussen, D. Lyon, J. Pearne (reserve).

Hongkong:—J. Stewart (capt.), G. Razavet, D. Laing, E. Brodie, T. King, S. H. Garrod, L. Weill.

The following teams have already been selected:—

Taikoo:—J. M. McIntyre, J. Stewart, K. McLennan, K. Boulton, W. Gardner, D. C. Speirs, and C. Conway, B. Gray, C. H. Summers, D. Davidson (reserves).

A.P.C.:—E. Raitton, B. Y. Frost, D. Ogilvie, L. M. S. Lloyd, V. Hast, L. A. R. Duncan.

H. & S. Bank:—A. C. Groves, A. Xavier, R. W. Lee, G. Havers, A. Lopez, R. L. Moncrieff, and W. J. Clark (reserve).

H.K. Electric:—J. O. Clarke, E. Easterbrook, L. Smith, B. Vickers, A. Geigan, A. Amery.

Whampoa Dock:—V. Ramsay, W. Hyde, H. Duncan, W. Matchin, A. Duncan, G. Whyte, and A. Bliss (reserve).

Jardine's:—D. Lyon, K. Mason, D. Purvis, G. Tunchon, F. Goodman, A. Cornaby.

GARRISON TENNIS.

The results of matches played in the Garrison Tennis League last week are as under:—R.A.O.C. beat R.A.S.C. by 3 to 2; R.E. "B" beat Small Units by 6 to 3; R.A.S.C. beat R.E. "A" by 6 to 2; R.A.I.C. scratched to R.A.O.C. and H.Q. Wing, East Surrey Regt. "B" Co., East Surrey Regt. scratched to R.E. "A".

LEAGUE TABLE.

The league table now reads:—

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
R.E. "B"	15	15	0	15
R.A.O.C.	14	12	2	12
R.A.S.C.	14	9	5	9
H.Q. Wing, East Surrey Regt.	13	8	5	8
R.E. "A"	13	7	6	7
Small Units	13	6	7	6
"D" Co., East Surrey Regt.	11	5	6	5
"A" Co., East Surrey Regt.	12	4	8	4
R.A.M.C.	12	0	12	0
"B" Co., East Surrey Regt.	13	0	13	0

In conclusion, he said that he would like to thank Major Paton, the officers and all other ranks for their assistance in making the gala a success and particularly Staff-Sergeant Hunt deserved a word of praise for the fine way he refereed the water polo game. (Cheers.)

Major Paton then called for three cheers for H.E. the Major-General, which were given vociferously.

The Band of the 1st Bn., East Surrey Regt., which by kind permission of Lieut. Colonel F. S. Montague-Bates, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., had played items during the evening, played "God Save the King" and this concluded the event.

The results were as follows:—
Unit Relay Race:—Championship Challenge Cup (presented by the Soldiers' Club): 1st, B. Co., East Surrey Regt.; 2nd, White Wings; Time: 20 min. 20 sec.

Army Boys' Handicap Race:—(30 yards): 1st, Norman Thorn; 2nd, Sidney Fenn.

Individual Army Championship Race:—Challenge Cup (presented by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd.): 1st, Pta. Edwards; 2nd, Sergt. Garland; 3rd, Sergt. Bullard; Time: 4 min. 34 sec.

The Luard Championship Challenge Cup (presented by H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.) which was open to officers of the Army was won by Lieut. J. M. McIntyre, D.L.I. (the Major-General's A.R.C.).

Army Girls' Handicap Race:—1st, Doris Hunt; 2nd, Phyllis Hunt. A water polo game was played between the winners of the League, 35th Heavy Battery, and the Rest. The latter won by 4 goals to 1. Their goalkeeper played excellently. The 25th Heavy Battery were the runners-up. The game was refereed by S. Sgt. Hunt, M.E.S.O.

POSITION IN SWATOW.

PROCLAMATION AGAINST ANY INTERFERENCE
WITH SHIPPING.

SAMPAHS AND RICKSHAS AGAIN FLY FOR HIRE.

OTHERWISE LABOUR SITUATION REMAINS UNCHANGED; NO
ONE RETURNING TO WORK AT THE MOMENT.

Interesting news from Swatow came to hand yesterday. General Chan Kwing Ming's troops are not only in occupation of the Port, but forces have been sent out to drive the "Reds" from the district as far as possible. No serious fighting, however, has yet occurred. It is reported that the Reds have now evacuated Kityang but, so far, this report lacks confirmation.

As far as the business position is concerned matters remain for all practical purposes exactly as they were a fortnight ago. An official proclamation has been issued prohibiting any molestation of ships. Rickshas and sampans are now plying for hire. That is something to the good, but labour is still non-existent and servants and office staffs have not yet shown any sign of returning to work.

The Union Leaders have disappeared; but it is suggested that before they left they threatened the workers with all kinds of dire penalties if they ventured to break the boycott and the opinion is held that it will take a little time for the rank and file to screw up sufficient courage to disobey orders. Moreover, some of the minor Union officials are still in evidence, and it is possible that the new Chief of Police, who is friendly disposed towards foreigners, will have to take action against them if the strike is to be thoroughly broken.

The militarists are satisfied with the progress that has already been made and are anxious to avoid any action which will lay them open to the charge of being unpatriotic. They realise that they have a fairly big task in front of them and want to go slowly for the time being.

Yesterday the O.S.K. s.s. *Huan Maru* arrived from Swatow. She brought 950 tons of coal and merchandise from Keelung, 1,000 coolie deck passengers from Swatow and 20 bags of mail. Among the European passengers by this steamer were Mr. Eastwood (Agent for Jardine's in Swatow) and Mrs. Eastwood, who have come to Hongkong for a short change; and Mr. T. A. Mitchell (agent in Swatow for Messrs. John Manners & Co., Ltd.). Mr. Mitchell has been in Swatow for about six years and is going to leave next Wednesday, sailing by the s.s. *President Madison*.

There were also on board the Comptroller of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. at Swatow, General Wong Keong, known to his foreign friends as Gaston Wong, the newly appointed Commissioner of Foreign Affairs and Superintendent of Customs in Swatow, who has come to Hongkong to confer with anti-Red leaders, and a number of Chinese officials accompanied by their wives and families.

One of the passengers informed a *Daily Press* representative that conditions in Swatow are not improved so much as probably some people in Hongkong had been led to believe.

When he left Swatow the strike situation was practically unchanged; business was at a standstill and household servants were remaining on strike. The Commissioner of Customs was the only resident of Swatow who had had a servant return.

Things, however, are a little easier, our informant added. It is possible to hire rickshas for the first time in eleven weeks, and sampans are now able and willing to take passengers.

No British ships are visiting the port, and it is not known whether their cargo would be handled if they put in an appearance. On Tuesday the *Huan Maru* arrived at Swatow from Keelung with coal which was all discharged, but another Japanese collier, the *Tokuji Maru*, which arrived there on Sunday with coal, had not discharged her freight when the *Huan Maru* left.

This *Huan Maru* was the first vessel to which sampans were allowed to go freely, and consequently, her first class, second class and deck passenger accommodation was filled to overflowing. She is the first boat on which Chinese passengers were allowed to embark. Even as late as Saturday a Danish boat, which had entered the port, had all her crew taken off by the strikers, but, after certain representations had been made, the crew came back again and the boat left.

LOCAL BUSINESS MEN.
MERCHANTS IN CONFERENCE WITH
GOVERNMENT.

A conference between the Government and the representatives of the business community of the Colony took place yesterday morning at the Colonial Secretary's Office.

Though the proceedings at the meeting, which lasted more than two hours, took place in private, it is understood that the whole matter was gone into and discussed thoroughly, especially as regards a Government loan. H.E. the Governor took a sympathetic view of the Chinese merchants' petition, and at the conclusion of the meeting, it is understood, a telegram was dispatched to London making representations to the Secretary of State.

His Excellency the Governor presided, and other members of the Government present were Sir Claud Severn, Colonial Secretary; Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Mr. C. M. Messer, Colonial Treasurer; Mr. D. W. Tratman, Secretary of Chinese Affairs; and Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., the Attorney General.

The deputation comprised: The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son and the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Chinese Unofficial Members of the Council, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Mr. A. H. Barlow, chief manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank; Mr. A. H. Ferguson, manager of the Chartered Bank; Mr. J. B. Ross, manager of the Mercantile Bank of India; Mr. L. E. Hopkins, manager of the P. and O. Bank; Mr. George Hogg, manager of the International Bank; Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Company; Mr. G. M. Young of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire; Mr. A. O. Lang, of Messrs. Gibb Livingston & Company; Mr. M. F. Key secretary of the General Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Li Yau Chuen, Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce; Mr. Ho Sai Kwong, President of the Twenty-four Merchants Guilds; Mr. Lee Hyson, representing large property interests; Mr. Ho Wing Tsun, Comptroller of the Banque de l'Indo Chine; Mr. Ho Lu, Comptroller of the Mercantile Bank.

WORK OF THE G.P.O.
YAUMATI AND SAISINGPUN
BRANCHES RE-OPENED.

Saiyingpun and Yaumati Branch Offices, which had to be closed with others owing to the strike, have been re-opened.

All the Branch Post Offices are now open with the exception of that at Shamshui, which it is hoped to open next Monday.

The routine work at the branches is proceeding smoothly and satisfactorily in spite of the fact that the postmen are all newly engaged hands. They are said to be willing workers, and gaining in experience daily.

The work of the Post Office is still carried out with about 50 postmen below the normal strength, but applications for work are pouring in and engagements are gradually being made with due regard to the qualifications and character of the applicants.

The work of receiving and despatching of mails is proceeding efficiently and to the satisfaction of the public.

TAKOKTSUI STABBING.

CHARGE AMENDED TO MURDER.

Two men who are arrested following a stabbing affray at Takoktsui, on Sunday night, appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, charged with malicious stabbing and causing grievous bodily harm.

It was intimated that the victim of the affray had succumbed to a stab wound in the abdomen, and the men were remanded, in order that the charge might be amended to that of murder.

PROPERTY SALE.

A property sale was conducted by Mr. E. V. M. de Sousa at the China Auction Rooms yesterday, when various sections of the Praya Reclamation and Marine Lots with the buildings thereon, known as No. 101, Des Voeux Road Central and No. 90 Connaught Road Central, were sold.

The property is held from the Crown under two agreements dated October 5th, 1899, and November 5th, 1903. The annual rent is \$45.80 and the area about 2,488 square feet.

The property was started at the upset price of \$110,000 and rising by \$1,000 bids, reached the sum of \$120,000, at which figure it was knocked down to Mr. Wong Kwok Shuen.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

[BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR HENRY GOLLAN).]

COUNSEL REBUKED.

The case of the three Chinese charged with having committed an armed robbery at 80, Caine Road, was continued at the Supreme Court yesterday.

Mr. Whyte-Smith prosecuted for the Crown, and Mr. Y. K. Mok was for the defence.

Mrs. Ho Min Tin, who lived at 59, Caine Road, and who gave evidence on Tuesday, was cross-examined yesterday morning.

Mr. Mok, addressing the witness at the beginning of his cross-examination asked her to pause and to tell the Court the whole truth. This brought forth a stern rebuke from His Lordship, who said that Mr. Mok had committed a breach of Court etiquette, and that it was no less than an insult to witness.

Witness was subjected to a lengthy cross-examination, in the course of which Mr. Mok asked her if one of the robbers wore shoes. On receiving an affirmative reply he asked whether it was not inconvenient for a robber to cross the ferry from Kowloon and go all the way up to her house wearing slippers.

His Lordship: That is a very peculiar question, Mr. Mok!

The two amahs gave corroborative evidence.

Inspector Murphy deposed to having visited the house and found marks on the women's wrists consistent with their having been bound. He also testified that at an identification parade Mrs. Ho picked out the three men. The amahs appeared frightened and did not identify any of the robbers.

Mr. Mok put his clients into the box and the whole afternoon was taken up with lengthy examinations and cross-examinations.

All the prisoners denied complicity in the robbery.

The case was adjourned until to-day.

DR. MAURICE PARMELEE.

NOTED VISITOR TO HONGKONG.

Dr. Maurice Parmelee, Ph.D., the well-known sociologist, psychologist and author, who is making a year's tour of the East to study the political problems of China, Japan, India and Egypt, is at present staying in Hongkong.

He is a graduate of Yale and Columbia Universities and has been professor of sociology, economics and anthropology, at the Universities of Minnesota, Missouri, and Kansas, and the College of the City of New York. He is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and a member of the Institut International de Sociologie.

A representative of the United States War Trade Board in London and taking part in the administration of the Blockade, Dr. Parmelee was the only American who was Chairman of an Allied committee—the Allied Rationing Committee. From 1920 to 1923 he was an economic adviser in the Department of State and conducted investigations for the Department, travelling extensively in Europe.

While Dr. Parmelee was in Peking, he met most of the outstanding personalities in the present situation including Karakhan himself. Dr. Parmelee went to Kaigan to see General Feng Yu Hsiang. Other places he visited were Shanghai, Soochow and Hankow. In Shanghai he narrowly escaped being involved in the rioting of the 7th—had he been two minutes earlier he would certainly have shared the fate of the American who was brutally assaulted—and in Soochow he narrowly escaped serious trouble through a ricksha coolie trying to exploit the strong anti-foreign feeling to extort exorbitant squeeze.

EXPERIENCE IN CANTON.

He visited Canton last week, and while on his way to his Hotel a Cadet demanded to know whether he was British and if he were not a spy. In spite of his assurances that he was American his baggage was ransacked, and he was taken to Headquarters, the Strike Headquarters, he thinks. He had to stay the night there, but then was liberated.

Dr. Parmelee will leave Hongkong to-day and proposes to visit Malaya, Burma and India. He will spend several months in India and then go to Egypt, returning to America after nearly a year's absence travelling. As soon as he returns to America in February, Dr. Parmelee will begin a lecture tour in which his impressions of the East will play a large part.

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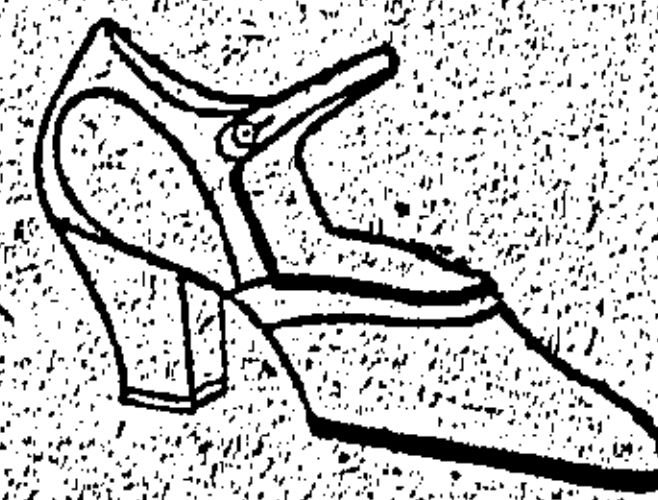
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WITH reference to the Offer of New Shares, dated the 15th May, 1925 (made to Existing Shareholders of the Company) by the terms of which the sum of \$7.50 per share was to be paid on the 30th June, 1925, and the sum of \$5 on the 30th September, 1925, the Directors have decided (in view of the present condition of affairs) to extend these Dates.

The Date for Payment of the First Instalment of \$7.50 per share is accordingly extended until the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1925; and the Date for Payment of the Second Instalment until the 31st DECEMBER, 1925.

As regard shareholders who take advantage for these extended times the New Shares allotted to them will rank for Dividend as from the 1st October, 1925, in respect of half the nominal value thereof and as from the 1st JANUARY, 1926, in respect of the full nominal value thereof.

Any Shareholder who makes payment prior to the due date will be allowed interest at 7 per cent. per annum on the amount paid by him from the date of payment until the due date.

This Notice will not affect those Shareholders who make payment on the original dates, i.e., as regards the First Instalment on the 30th June and as regards the Second Instalment on the 30th September. After Shares to be allotted to them will in accordance with the original terms of the offer rank for Dividend on One-half the nominal value as from the 1st July, 1925; and on the Full nominal value as from the 1st October, 1925.

By Order of the Board,
J. H. TAGGART,
Managing Director.

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY

FORMS for THE SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 27th OCT., and MONDAY, 29th OCT., 1925 (Weather permitting), may be obtained at the Race Office, HONGKONG CLUB and CAUSEWAY BAY STABLES.

ENTRIES will CLOSE at 12 o'clock, Noon on SATURDAY, 26th SEPTEMBER, 1925.

By Order,
H. GREENWOOD,
Acting Secretary.

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NOTICE.

TENDERS ARE CALLED for the REMOVAL of NIGHT SOIL, Twice Daily, from the RIFLE RANGE and W/T STATION, Stonecutters.

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H.M.S. "TAMAR," for Particulars and Conditions, etc.

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THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

WITH Reference to the Notice to the Shareholders of this Company dated 8th May, 1925, whereby a Final Call of \$3.00 per share was made payable on the 1st October, 1925, the General Managers have decided, in view of the Conditions Prevailing at present, to Extend the Time for Payment of this Call.

NOTICE IS ACCORDINGLY HEREBY GIVEN that the Date for Payment of the FINAL CALL is EXTENDED to the 3rd NOVEMBER, 1925, and that the Form of Bankers' Receipt already sent to Shareholders can be used as though the Date named therein were the 3rd NOVEMBER, 1925.

For THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER CO. (1918), Ltd.,
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 18th September, 1925.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES,

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CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

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Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon with the Free Storage Period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st Sept., 1925, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 12th October, 1925, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 20th September, 1925.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 13th Oct., or they will not be recognised.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Hongkong, 21st September, 1925.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES,

FROM AUSTRALIA.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO by S.S. "SYDNEY MARU"

are hereby notified that the above vessel grounded off Main Island on the 23rd August last on her voyage to Hongkong, and as a consequence she was obliged to return to Rabaul for temporary repairs, incurring General Average therefor. The Consignees above referred to are requested to sign the Average Agreement with the Underwriter before the arrival of the steamer, in order to avoid delay for the delivery of the cargo. The S.S. "Sydney Maru" is due to sail for Hongkong again on or about the 18th September, 1925 from Rabaul.

YAMASHITA KISEN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th September 1925.

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ON SALE.

HONGKONG HARBOR REPORTS

of the MEETINGS of the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for the Session 1924.

Revised by the Members
of the HARBOR OFFICE.

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INTIMATIONS

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

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Dated the 18th September, 1925.

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BY ORDER OF THE SECOND MORTGAGEES.

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AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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Bank of China Building,
Queen's Road Central.

OR TO—
Messrs. LAMBERT BROTHERS,
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No. 5, DUNDALL STREET, Hongkong,
Dated the 7th day of September, 1925.

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BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

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Dated the 4th September, 1925.

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BIRTHS.

FRESHWATER.—At Shanghai, on September 13th, to Mr. and Mrs. C. M. FRESHWATER, a son.

FRESHWATER.—At Shanghai, on September 14th, to Dr. and Mrs. H. FRESHWATER, a son.

RICHARDSON.—At Shanghai, on September 12th, to Mr. and Mrs. T. H. RICHARDSON, twin daughters.

DEATH.

MOLYNEUX.—At Shanghai, on September 13th, Ian Rowley, the younger son of Mr. and Mrs. H. LINDSAY MOLYNEUX.

Hongkong Office: 14, Chater Road.

London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 1925.

CHINESE STUDENTS IN ENGLAND.

The interest now being taken by the British public in Chinese affairs led to the Home papers paying more than their usual amount of attention to the annual conference of Chinese Students in Great Britain which was held recently in Hertfordshire. In the ordinary way it is probable that the conference would have been allowed to pass unnoticed. This year, with China so much in the limelight, special correspondents flocked to the meetings to record their impressions of the students, and, of course, modern journalism being what it is, the impressions were written in the manner regarded as most suitable to the paper's particular public.

The Daily Express, for example, did not concern themselves with Far Eastern politics, or worry unduly about the Chinese desire for the abolition of unequal treaties. They were struck with the fact that the students had discarded the dress of their country for Oxford frockings and commented on the clash between "the apparent wisdom of Chinese features and the 'tarnation foolishness of these baggy contraptions'."

Their representative, also, was most fortunate in securing a few minutes' private conversation with "a dark, almond eyed beauty from Amoy." The young lady in question, who is studying for her degree in law, chatted to the newspaper man vivaciously regarding women in China and her opinions were reproduced next morning for the delectation of several millions of the British people.

"We are as free as the women in England," she said. "There is no lordship over us. When I am a barrister I hope to practise in China and I do not think there will be any difficulty. One thing we who are being educated in England wish to do when we go home is to enforce compulsory education for women of the poorer classes so that they may enjoy the privileges of their wealthier sisters."

And quite right too we can hear hundreds of worthy English mothers remarking over the family breakfast. But what a totally wrong idea it gives of the present day conditions in this country. The young lady from Amoy may be successful in establishing a lucrative practice as a barrister in Hongkong or one of the Treaty Ports, but we doubt exceedingly whether she will be able to do it in any Chinese native city, and her dream of compulsory education for the women of the poorer classes is likely to remain simply a dream for generations to come.

The Daily Mail reporter sought out the Secretary of the Conference in order to obtain a reason for the present troubles in this part of the world and, of course, he obtained it.

"The boycott is the strongest weapon one country can use against another," said Mr. TAN, "and I am optimistic that the outcome of it will be that China will get independence. We are not Bolsheviks. This fight is race hatred if you like; perhaps it is. Treaties must be revised. China wants equal treatment and the fight will go on until she gets it. If you want to trade with us you must learn to know us."

What froth all this is. There is no word to suggest that the students have the slightest idea of the reasons which made the treaties necessary. These modern, educated youths are able in some remarkable way to exercise an influence on the political affairs in China out of all proportion to their numbers. But obviously they are not fit to govern. The schools apparently have taught them to shout "freedom and equality" and left them without a proper understanding of the true meaning of the words or of the responsibilities attaching to them. In this connection we would re-echo the wish of Mr. CHAMBERLAIN that some Chinese could be found, with historical knowledge, statesmanship, and authority with his own people who would explain that the system of "unequal treaties," so-called, was not of our choosing. We did not desire it. As the Secretary for Foreign Affairs properly pointed out "it was the minimum we could ask of a China which repelled the foreigner and would not give him justice in her Courts or secure for him the ordinary advantages of civilisation and orderly Government. It was largely British policy which opened China to international trade and it was, first and foremost, British enterprise which showed the way to other nations and proved to them how great a market was open to them, to us and to the Chinese to the mutual advantage of the world."

We might have expected that the Rev. J. R. LEE, the late lecturer in history at the University of Hongkong, who was among the speakers at the Conference, would have explained some of these things to the students. But no. The best he could do was to speak of the unorthodox manner in which the first Europeans attempted to gain entrance into China five or six hundred years ago. "They were like schoolboys," he said, "flushed with success and thought they could do what they liked." They thus caused the beginning of the misunderstandings between China and the West. Frankly, we should have expected a somewhat different reading of the facts from a history lecturer at a British University. No wonder some of the students go astray if this is the point of view always presented to them.

The late delivery of the Daily Press, this morning, is due to a break-down in the printing machinery.

The return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for the 24 hours ended on September 22nd shows 1 Russian case of enteric fever.

The damage suffered by the Harry Kong garage, in the fire which occurred on Sunday night at North Point, in which six cars were destroyed, amounts to over \$20,000.

Mr. Li Yik Moy, a well-known Chinese rice merchant, has been appointed by His Excellency the Governor as a permanent member of the Po Leung Kok Committee to succeed the late Mr. Chau Siu Ki.

The master of the s.s. Telemachus reported to the Harbour Office yesterday that a male Chinese died from beri-beri on Tuesday morning while the ship was on the way from Saigon to Hongkong.

About fifteen minutes yesterday afternoon H.M.S. Hermes gave another interesting exhibition of flying "stunts" over the harbour. The sight attracted the attention of hundreds of Chinese and Europeans.

A District Court Martial will assemble at Murray Barracks at 10 a.m. to-morrow for the trial of Pte. George Hobbs, 1st Bn., the East Surrey Regiment. The President of the Court will be Major P. Rashleigh, D.S.O., B.A.

Charles T. Boyce who was found guilty at the U.S. Court, Shanghai, on an indictment charging him with obtaining goods by false pretences and embezzlement, was sentenced on September 14th by Judge Purdy to a year and three months' imprisonment.

Mr. Ernest Johnston, chief officer of the C.N.S. Shai, was decorated at Ichang on September 3rd by Mr. A. P. Blunt, H. M. Consul, with the Royal Humane Society's Medal in recognition of his bravery in diving into the Yangtze on February 21st last to rescue a Chinese boy.

Rehearsals for the production of "Iolanthe" in December are being carried out by the members of the Hongkong Philharmonic Society in St. John's Cathedral Hall on Mondays at 8.15 p.m. and Thursdays at 8.30 p.m. There are a few vacancies in the chorus, especially for ladies.

Application for the confiscation of 21 Luger pistols, five Smith and Wesson revolvers, 17 automatic pistols and 12,185 rounds of ammunition found unclaimed on the s.s. Amakusa Maru

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)
SHIPPING STRIKE.

SYDNEY PREDICTS TROUBLE WILL SOON END.

SYDNEY, September 23rd.

An early end to the shipping strike is predicted, the only outstanding point being the strikers' demand for full pay during the strike, which is likely to be waived.

It is believed that the unanimous decision of the waterside workers to work all ships, even if strikers have been replaced, will profoundly affect the situation.

BETTER SIGNS.

DURBAN, September 23rd.

The steamers *Port Curno* and *Largolam* have sailed from Durban. The steamer *Garth Castle*, which was held up at Lourenco Marques owing to the refusal of the crew to take the ship to sea unless the strike was settled, sailed to-day with the original crew.

EARLIER CABLES.

MR. BRUCE'S FIGHTING SPEECH.

MELBOURNE, September 22nd.

In a speech at a meeting of the National Federation, Mr. Bruce denounced as cowardice the Government's docile obeying the commands of a handful of extremists, and said that State and Labour Governments and the Labour members of the Federal Parliament had encouraged and assisted those who were against the laws of Australia and openly favoured a system which had been tried and found wanting in a foreign country.

"We glory," he said, "in belonging to an Empire which is the greatest civilising influence the world has ever known, and shall fight to the utmost its opponents' attitude namely 'to hell with the Empire!' We adhere to the principle of the fullest assistance to the common defence of the Empire compatible with our population and financial resources, and we support above all a White Australia."

The speaker concluded by saying that the only issue was law and order against Direct Action and Communism.

STRIKERS PERTURBED.

CAPETOWN, September 22nd.

The sailing of the *Arundel Castle* is the most important event since the seamen's strike began. It has immensely perturbed the strikers who had hitherto believed it to be impossible to secure South African crews, but hundreds of suitable men are now offering their services.

The crews of several other ships are conferring as to the position resulting from the sailing of the *Arundel Castle*.

BRISK RECRUITING OF CREWS.

CAPETOWN, September 22nd.

The recruiting of crews here continues freely. The crew of the *Edinburgh Castle*, which has just arrived, have announced that they do not intend to join the strikers.

IDLE SHIPS IN AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, September 22nd.

Thirty-nine ships are now idle in Australian ports.

"ORVIETO" DECLARED "BLACK."

FREMANTLE, September 22nd.

The lumpers have declared the steamer *Orviato* from London "black" until her crew attends a meeting of the Australian Seamen's Union. The *Orviato* has decided not to call at Fremantle and is proceeding to Albany, whither representatives of the strikers have also gone to interview the crew of the *Orviato*.

"ARUNDEL CASTLE'S" WIRELESS.

CAPETOWN, September 22nd.

The departure of the *Arundel Castle*, wireless, "This is the way to go home," has had an immediate effect on the ports of South Africa, especially Durban. The number of vessels held up has dwindled from twenty-five to eighteen, and a further two are expected to sail this afternoon.

LATEST CABLES.

CAMPAIGN IN MOROCCO.

SUBMISSION OF TRIBESMEN STILL CONTINUES.

PARIS, September 23rd.

A message from Fez states that the submission of tribesmen continues slowly, due to their desire that the French should first occupy their territories. Abd el Krim is vigorously countering the movement by taking hostages everywhere.

The Caid of Fez, Ahmed ben Abd Ezzelen of Kacem, who was a staunch French supporter and had been awarded the Legion of Honour for valour, was killed in the cleaning up operations in the Doukané zone. The loss is regarded as serious for this important section.

A message from Madrid states that an enemy force made its way down the cliffs at Morro Nuevo, where the Spanish forces were encamped, with the object of surprising a company of the Foreign Legion and a body of riflemen from the rear. But, they were repulsed, some as they fled leaping from the rocks into the sea were drowned.

POLISH AIRMAN.

M. RAJSKI REACHES WARSAW AFTER LONG FLIGHT.

WARSAW, September 23rd.

The Polish airman, M. Rajski, has arrived here, after a flight of 70,850 kilometres, which occupied 41 hrs. 30 min. He flew via Paris, Casablanca, Tunis, Athens, Constantinople and back to Warsaw. The last stage from Constantinople was covered without a stop in seven hours.

FRENCH IN SYRIA.

LIST OF CASUALTIES IN RECENT FIGHTING.

PARIS, September 23rd.

A message from Beyrout states that the French losses at Mousseiffra, on September 18th, were 40 killed and 80 wounded. The latter were mostly only slightly injured.

A ROYAL MARRIAGE.

RACCONIGI, September 23rd.

The Italian Princess Mafalda and Prince Philip of Hesse were married this morning in the presence of the Italian Royal Family.

BOMBAY COTTON STRIKE.

ALLEGED OFFER OF MONEY FROM MOSCOW.

BOMBAY, September 23rd.

The striking cotton operatives have received a cable, purporting to come from the Soviet Textile Union at Moscow. The message expresses fraternal solidarity and intimates that Rs. 10,000 are being despatched to assist the movement.

The operatives now idle, as a result of the strike, number 135,000.

EARLIER CABLES.

FRENCH POSTAL STRIKE.

LEADERS TO BE DISMISSED.

PARIS, September 22nd.

After a Cabinet discussion on the postal strike of September 21st, M. Chaumet, the Minister of Commerce, announced that he would summarily dismiss those responsible for the strike, which was a revolutionary attack on the State which no Government could tolerate.

STOCK EXCHANGE.

SECURITIES QUOTED WEAKER IN LONDON.

LONDON, September 23rd.

On the Stock Exchange Government securities weakened, on the announcement that the Treasury had authorised the Bank of England to receive tenders, on September 23rd, for 240,000,000 3½ per cent. Conversion Loan bonds at the minimum price of 70 per cent.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

VARIETY OF PROBLEMS UNDER DISCUSSION.

GENEVA, September 22nd.

The assembly of the League of Nations voted a Chinese resolution expressing satisfaction that a conference of the interested States would open in China on December 28th and hoping for a satisfactory solution soon.

The resolution reached did not refer to a revision of the Treaties, but Mr. Chu, moving it, declared that the main object of the Peking conference was to obtain for China different international conditions more within the spirit of the League.

DANGEROUS DRUGS.

GENEVA, September 22nd.

At a committee meeting to deal with dangerous drugs, Lord Robert Cecil announced that Canada had ratified the Opium Convention, being the first country to do so. He added that the British Government had obtained the necessary powers from Parliament to ratify the Convention, and he urged all States to follow suit.

CHRISTIANS IN MOSUL.

GENEVA, September 22nd.

The British delegation has requested the Council of the League to meet at the earliest possible moment to consider correspondence in regard to the deportations of Christians from the districts adjacent to the Brussels line and Mosul states.

In view of the Turkish denial of the reports of such deportations, the Council should immediately take steps to satisfy themselves whether the reports of the High Commissioner in Iraq are founded on fact; and this League should forthwith send a representative to the locality of the Brussels line to investigate and report immediately to the Council.

In the event of a similar occurrence in the future, the British and Iraq Governments would welcome the presence of a Turkish representative on their side of the Brussels line and afford him every assistance to fulfil his task.

The note says that the action of the Turkish Government in deporting Christians from the villages between the Brussels line and the frontier unquestionably might modify the present state of the territories, of which the final state would depend on the decision to be reached with regard to the frontier.

GERMAN DYEWORKS.

PROPOSED GENERAL FUSION.

BERLIN, September 22nd.

Negotiations with a view to the fusion of all the important dyeworks in Germany has led to a provisional result which will shortly be submitted to the Boards of the companies concerned, including the Baden Aniline Co., the Berlin Aniline Co., and the Hoechst and Elberfeld Dyeworks.

The final decision will rest upon the general meetings of the companies next Spring. There is little doubt that the fusion will materialise with a view to eliminating competition and regulating consumption.

THE TWO ABDS.

BEST KNOWN ONE IS NOT WOUNDED.

PARIS, September 22nd.

Apparently the report that Abd el Krim had been wounded was due to the confusion of him with the Riff chief Abd el Kacem who actually was wounded at Targuist.

AUSTRALIAN ELECTIONS.

MELBOURNE, September 22nd.

The General Election is to be held on November 14th.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

LEAGUE AND DISARMAMENT.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S "IF."

WASHINGTON, September 22nd.

President Coolidge has declared that the United States will only participate in the plans of the League of Nations to hold a disarmament conference, if authorized by Congress.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

SHANGHAI ENQUIRY.

CHINESE NOTE TO BRITISH LEGATION.

PEKING, September 22nd.

A Chinese Note to the British Legation objects to holding the proposed judicial enquiry into the Shanghai incidents, on the ground that the necessary evidence is now unobtainable and that fresh investigation will complicate the issue. The Note suggests the utilisation of the earlier reports as a basis for negotiations.

ITALIAN AIRMAN.

DEPARTS FROM SHANGHAI EN ROUTE TO JAPAN.

SHANGHAI, September 23rd.

Major Di Pinedo has resumed his flight, leaving here for Mokpo, Korea, at 11.30 a.m. to-day.

Major de Pinedo arrived at Mokpo at 4 p.m. to-day.

GERMAN REPUBLIC.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS.

The sixth anniversary of the Weimar Constitution was celebrated in the Reichstag on August 11th. It was the first to be held in the presence of Field-Marshal von Hindenburg as President of the Reich. The Chancellor and members of the Government, representatives of the Federal States, and some members of the Reichstag were present in the Chamber, which had been decorated with the standards of the various States, the principal tribune being decked with flowers. President von Hindenburg took his place with his civilian and military aides in the Diplomatic Gallery at noon, the audience standing as he entered. He wore civilian dress. The ceremony did not differ materially from that of former years attended by the late President Ebert.

After the Philharmonic Orchestra had played the first movement of Brahms's First Symphony, the festival oration was delivered by Professor Platz, of Bonn University. It was mainly an appeal to the youth of Germany to unite in promoting the welfare of the Reich by internal unity and peace. The Chancellor then made a long speech in which he referred to the devotion shown by the Reichstag in passing the important series of financial and tariff measures, and to the task in the domain of foreign policy which lay ahead. The Constitution, he declared, was a powerful token of the spirit of unity which must be preserved, and he called for cheers for the German people united in the Republic. Thereupon the assembly rose to its feet and sang *Deutschland über Alles* with great fervour.

The crowd in the open square outside was considerably smaller than in previous years, and it showed no particular Republican bias. Two masts had been erected before the front of the Reichstag, and from them fluttered the Republican black, red, and gold, and the German war flag of black, red, and white with the Iron Cross. Almost the only people who carried Republican flags or badges were pedlars trying to sell them. It seemed as if the majority of the crowd had faced the Republican ceremony in order to see its idol, Hindenburg. It was not particularly enamoured of the Constitution, as to the sanctity of which it has lately been disillusioned.

After the ceremony in the Reichstag Chamber had been concluded, President von Hindenburg left the Diplomatic Gallery over the colonnade above the great open-air stairs, at the foot of which a guard of honour of Reichwehr in steel helmets was drawn up. He was joined by the Ministers, military and naval officers, and members of the Reichstag. As he appeared before the main portal the crowd broke into a cheer and the Reichwehr band struck up one of the old military tunes.

Here the ceremony was brief and, indeed, almost hurried. Hindenburg, bareheaded and erect, but looking considerably paler than before he took office, quickly strode down the line of the guard as the band once more broke into *Deutschland über Alles*, the refrain being caught up into a full-throated chorus by the crowd. At the end of the line his car was waiting. Without further ado he entered it and was driven back through the well-guarded streets to the President's Palace in the Wilhelmstrasse. The bulk of the crowd thereupon fell into step with the Reichwehr as its band led off with a quickstep march and followed it, shepherded by a strong body of mounted police, across the Spree and back to its barracks.

ANOTHER BORDER INCIDENT.

STRIKERS' BIG HAUL OF PIGS AT SHATAUKOK.

Yet another border incident took place yesterday, and again it was in Shataukok district. Following the recent shooting across the line that divides China from Hongkong, things had been rather quiet in the neighbourhood, but yesterday four marauding strikers, each man equipped with a rifle and ammunition crossed the border, bent on looting in the Shataukok district.

The four men raided a grocer's shop in Shataukok where they made prisoners of two *fokis*, and later they rounded up a number of pigs, valued at \$2,000. According to police reports, the strikers met with no resistance, and they drove the pigs over the border, taking the two *fokis* as prisoners.

BRITAIN AND ARGENTINA.

PRESIDENT ALVEAR'S TRIBUTE.

At the banquet which was given in Buenos Aires on August 17th in honour of the Prince of Wales, the President of the Argentine Republic, Señor de Alvear, proposed the health of his Royal Highness. In the course of his speech, the President, after welcoming the Prince in the name of the people of Argentina, said:—

We Argentines are fully aware of the value of the friendship of Great Britain, which holds a special place in our remembrances and a very prominent position in our history. England was one of the first nations to recognize the rising of a new people in the extreme South of the American Continent. Its faith in the Argentine Republic might have appeared rash to other nations less experienced than that of England, but that country consolidated its confidence according as the young nation grew in importance, and that confidence proved an encouragement for the other nations to imitate its example.

The presence of your Royal Highness affords us a grand opportunity to recall the history of our friendship with Great Britain and to point out its most precious fruits. In the annals of our struggles for emancipation there figure the names of some sons of England. Afterwards, when we were taking our first steps in the exercise of our own Government, England formally assured us of her consideration in treaties which consolidated the international personality of the Republic. Then followed economic relations, in which England contributed to the growth of our public institutions with loans of British capital. As time went on that same English capital gave impulse to our industries. It might be affirmed that during the past half century there have been few activities of our national progress in which its beneficial influence has not been felt.

BEDSIDE BURGLAR.

"GENTLE" CRIMINAL'S ADVICE TO LADIES.

A story was told at Long Ashton Police Court, Somerset, of the attempts of two ladies to reform a burglar, to whom they conversed earnestly when he entered their bedroom, including him to promise not to do it again. He, in return, advised them to keep a dog, as the next burglar might not be so gentle. Defendant was Harry Allan Barrett, an unemployed man, and he was charged with stealing at Clevedon money and articles worth 25 odd and also with breaking into All Saints House, Clevedon.

Mrs. Wayne, of All Saints House, said that whilst reading in bed she heard a noise, and went across to Miss Kelly's room. Barrett was there and after explaining how he entered, he suggested they should send for the police. One of them asked, "What good will that do you?" and they talked to him for over one hour, and then let him go on his promise not to do it again.

Miss Kelly said she also was reading in bed when there was a knock at the door. Thinking it was Miss Wayne, she responded "Come in," and the defendant entered. Witness and Miss Wayne had a long talk with the defendant who advised them to keep a dog as someone might come in with a crowbar and not be so gentle as he was; but witness replied that they were not afraid. They believed his promise, and did not inform the police, but the defendant was arrested on another charge.

The bench committed the defendant to two months with hard labour.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Before Mr. S. B. R. McElderry at the Central Magistracy yesterday, a floor-sweeper employed at the Peak Hotel, was charged with the theft of two coffee cups. Defendant said he picked up the cups from a dustbin, and thought they had been discarded. His Worship pointed out to the man that he should have returned the cups to the Hotel. A fine of \$10, with two weeks' hard labour in default, was imposed.

Following the handing down of a ruling affirming a judgment in favour of the plaintiff given by Judge Purdy in the United States Court for China, at Shanghai, in the case of Mr. C. H. Webb, former editor of the *China Press*, against that paper, further information received from San Francisco on September 17th indicates that no rehearing of the case is possible in the appellate court. The amount of money which was awarded to Mr. Webb originally was \$44,365.61, but as the case has dragged on through a year while it was being taken to the higher court the sum with interest now is in the neighbourhood of \$50,000.

Command Orders announce that a General Court Martial will assemble at the Command Reference Library at 10 a.m. next Tuesday for the trial of Capt. Eric Sutton Dickinson, Army Dental Corps. The President of the Court will be Colonel C. Russell Brown, D.S.O., R.E.; members: Lieut.-Colonel F. S. Montague Bates, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. (1st Bn., the East Surrey Regiment), Lieut.-Colonel G. F. S. Tuke, D.S.O., R.A., Lieut.-Colonel E. E. B. Mackintosh, D.S.O., R.E., Major W. P. A. Hattersley-Smith, D.S.O., R.A., and Major F. G. Hyland, M.C., R.E.; waiting members: Lieut.-Colonel W. A. Edmondson, D.S.O., R.A., and Major P. Rashleigh, D.S.O., R.A.; Judge Advocate: Major R. S. S. Raton, 1st Bn., the East Surrey Regiment; and Prosecutor: Capt. C. J. F. Bensley, R.A.

BURNING PLANE RESCUES.

FLYING OFFICER'S HEROISM.

In connection with an accident to a flying boat returning to Calshot on August 15th, when the wireless operator, Frederick Charles Copsey, was killed, while Corporal H. Essam jumped clear, and Flight-Lieutenant N. Russell and Flight-Lieutenant R. Collins were rescued, it came out two days after that had it not been for the courageous work of rescue by Flying Officer Stephen Sunnucks, the two officers would undoubtedly have been burned to death. The petrol tank burst on hitting the water and broke out into flames. Mr. Sunnucks, who was in charge of one of the fire-fighting motor-boats which rushed to the scene of the disaster, dived into the water fully clothed, and, boarding the burning aeroplane, released Flight-Lieutenants Russell and Collins, with whom he swam with great difficulty to safety. He again swam back and tried to rescue Copsey, who, it seems, must have been killed instantly. Twice he mounted the hull of the aeroplane, but each time he was driven back by the heat of the flames. Finally he had to give up the attempt and return to his boat.

The machine, which had been smashed into two portions, later sank, and the body of Copsey was not recovered until the derelict was pulled up to a slipway several hours later. It was then seen that he had been thrown back into the engineer's seat, and pinned in that position by the petrol tank, which had become dislodged, and several struts and wires. His skull was found to be fractured.

Giving evidence at the inquest, at Calshot Air Station, on Aircraftman Copsey, Flight-Lieut. Sackville Russell said he sank with the machine, but managed to disentangle himself and rose to the surface. He found the water covered with lighted petrol, and his own head became wrapped in flames, so he dropped back into the water, and, shortly after, was rescued.

The Coroner referred to the great gallantry of Flying Officer Sunnucks in his rescue work. He swam under the water to avoid the flaming petrol, and thus reached the machine, saving two of the occupants.

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The issue of August 29th contains the full report of the great indignation meeting held at the Theatre Royal, together with the text of the Telegram sent to the Prime Minister.

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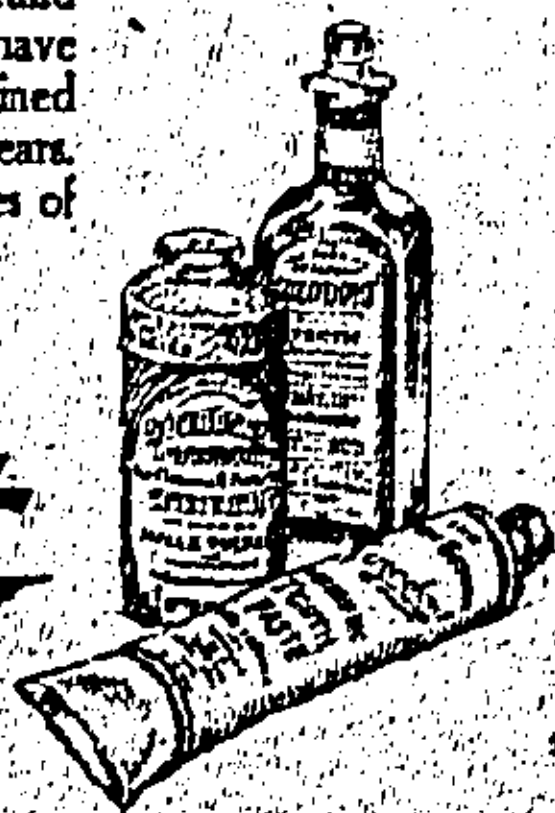
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UNDERWORLD QUEEN.

MARRIAGE OFFER IN A LONDON DOCK.

A woman who has fascinated and ensnared scores of men, who has defied the efforts of judges, magistrates, and social reformers to reclaim her from a life of crime, is now languishing in a cell in Holloway Gaol waiting for her lover to take her back to her native South Africa as his bride!

This woman is Clara Whiteley, who, at London, Sessions, was convicted of robbing a dealer of a wallet containing £105. The judge, Sir Robert Wallace, who has given the woman more than one chance to reform, shook his head despairingly and remarked to the jury, "I do not know what to do with this woman—she comes here again and again." A man who had listened to the revelations of her astounding past thereupon walked into the witness-box and calmly declared his love for her.

"I will marry her and take her back with me to South Africa," he said, and Sir Robert Wallace postponed sentence in order to find out whether this would be a way of ridding London of one of its worst women.

Clara Whiteley, known in the underworld as the "Gipsy" and the "Girl with the Diamond Eyes," is a Jewess. Her father is reputed to be a millionaire in Capetown, and has made repeated efforts to induce the girl to return home, but Clara has turned a deaf ear to all his entreaties. The underworld, where she was acclaimed queen, hypnotised her; she preferred a life of vice and crime in London to one of ease and luxury in her native land, and selected as her companions women who make rich men their nightly prey.

RITIOUS LIVING.

The woman's downfall is ascribed to an unhappy marriage. Her wedding in Capetown was one of the most brilliant social events of the season, and was attended by many celebrities. What happened there afterwards is known only to the girl herself. She arrived in England in 1916, a beautiful dark-haired woman, with flashing eyes, and was quickly caught in the whirlpool of riotous living which sweeps across London during the war. She was much sought after by officers on leave from the front, and almost every night the "Girl with the Diamond Eyes" was to be seen dining and dancing at restaurants and night clubs.

Her first conviction was at Marlborough Street in 1917, when she was sentenced to three months' hard labour. She has made many appearances in the dock since then, and has served terms of nine months and fifteen months, and has also been twice sentenced for soliciting. She was also bound over on several occasions.

She brought off her biggest coup in a sumptuously furnished flat in Great-Portland Street, Regent's Park, to which she enticed a Hatton Garden diamond merchant. This man had gems worth £4,000 in his possession, and the "Girl with the Diamond Eyes" obtained them, locked the diamond merchant in the bathroom, and disappeared. She was arrested on another charge shortly afterwards, when she was identified by the Hatton Garden merchant, and remanded in custody. The story she then told was at first regarded as too romantic to be true. It was to the effect that the diamonds had been buried in a garden of a tenement house in Dublin. The garden was dug up, and, eighteen inches below the surface the stolen gems were found. She was sent to gaol for nine months for this escapade.

CAUGHT AGAIN.

The latest episode in this amazing woman's career began in Coventry Street, Leicester Square, where she met a produce merchant and two companions. Clara jumped into their motor car, and drove with them to Russell Square. She got out there and ran away. The merchant subsequently discovered that his wallet, containing £105, had gone. He ran after the woman, who was found later in a cul-de-sac almost nude.

Detective Sergeant Hatton, of Gray's Inn Road Police Station, who was in charge of the case, said the woman, since she had come out of prison, had been selling clothes in the winter and overcoats in the summer.

DOG'S WAR SERVICE.

LED COLDSTREAM GUARDS INTO GERMANY.

Few dogs can have had a more varied and more splendid career than that of "Jack," the mascot of the 1st Battalion, the Coldstream Guards.

Jack was picked up wounded in France during the early part of the Great War. He served with the battalion throughout the war and in 1919 he had the distinction of being "Divisional rat-catching champion." In 1918 he headed the battalion during their victorious march into Germany.

He came over to England in 1919, and how he arrived is only known to a few old soldiers; but he arrived quite as soon as the troops. During the same year he headed the battalion during the Victory march through London.

Like Mr. Baldwin, Jack is a great lover of a pipe, but his son Joe is not old enough to smoke. Jack's age is estimated at 18 years, and he can often be seen wearing his three war ribbons.

ENGLAND'S EMPTY CRADLE.

BIRTH RATE FOR A QUARTER EQUALS LOWEST.

MARRIAGE SLUMP.

The birth rate in England and Wales for the second quarter of this year equals the lowest ever recorded in that time of year, except during the war years 1917-1919, although the total—180,574—was 11,328 above the number for the previous quarter.

That fact is revealed in the report of the Registrar-General.

And of the forty quarterly records during the past ten years, the first quarter of this year shows the lowest number of marriages.

STEADY DECREASE.

Several quarters since the war have seen almost double the number of marriages that took place in the first three months of this year. Marriages have been steadily decreasing in number since the war ended, except for a tiny increase last year.

During the first quarter of the year for the past ten years the marriage rate average was 121 per thousand. This year's first quarter it was only 91.

The average birth rate per thousand for the past ten years have been 21 during both the first and the second quarters of the year.

But this year the first quarter only saw just over 18, and the second quarter 19 per thousand.

The first quarter of the year thus shows a falling off in births of 19 per cent. over the whole country—and that includes comparison with the average for the war period, when the birth rate was the lowest for many years.

MORTALITY LOW.

The fall in illegitimate births is not so great, and only amounts to, roughly, 3 per cent. compared with last year.

But children born were increasingly healthy. The infant mortality was well below the average for the past ten years, and was equal to the lowest rate ever recorded since the establishment of civil registration.

Males still exceed females in the birth rate by 93,000 to 91,000, and in the death rate by 58,000 to 54,000.

The death rate for the first half of this year, though lower than for the first six months of last year, is by no means a low one compared with the post-war years.

One death in 40 was due to influenza. The natural increase in population by births over deaths during the second quarter of this year was 73,707, a little lower than last year.

LONDON'S RECORD.

London has the clearest sheet of the 105 great towns of England and Wales in the matter of epidemic death rate.

The Greater London death rate per thousand births is only two-thirds that of the other great towns of England and Wales.

Finchbury, of all the London boroughs has the highest birth rate—double the average of the other boroughs. It has also the highest death rate. Battersea has the lowest death rate of any London borough.

The best record in the whole of London and Greater London, however, belongs to Edmonton, which has the highest birth rate and the lowest death rate.

There have been over 2,000 scarlet fever and an equal number of diphtheria cases in London in the last quarter.

FAMOUS MEN'S AILMENTS.

A KING WHO NEVER WASHED.

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As for James I.,

Possibly his enlarged heart and swollen tongue, together with his vast over-eating and drinking, may have meant that he had chronic Bright's disease.

Charles II. was not really poisoned, as was supposed at the time. His kidneys were at fault. The treatment was starting—

His head was closely shaved; his neck and shoulders were blistered and scarified; emetics, purgatives, and elaters were administered, and every reputable doctor was summoned to the defence.

It is no wonder that after all this the unfortunate King succumbed in "a uræmic coma."

The account given of Frederick the Great's personal dirtiness will confirm Lord Melbourne's verdict on him (and Melbourne knew much about him): that "he was a thoroughly bad man." He never washed and was, in fact, odiferous.



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MATCH WHICH LASTED TWO AND A QUARTER HOURS.

A memorable match was played in the semi-final of the women's singles of the North of England championships at Scarborough on August 20th, when Mrs. Beamish beat Mrs. Lycett by 2 sets to 1, the scores being 10-12, 10-8, 8-6.

The grim determination of Mrs. Beamish, the clever tactics of Mrs. Lycett, and above all the pluck of the loser in fighting against the great odds of her stamina in the last set were remarkable.

Having been led by 4-1, Mrs. Lycett went to 5-4, and wanted but one point for the set in the next game. Yet losing that elusive point did not break her heart, for although she lost the lead at 6-5 she fought back and levelled the set at six games all.

In the first set Mrs. Lycett led by three games to one, through varying her length and—volleying—with discretion. Mrs. Beamish then began her wearing-down tactics, swinging the ball from side to side and lobbing whenever Mrs. Lycett came to the net. Mrs. Beamish went to the fore at 4-3, Mrs. Lycett led at 4-4, but Mrs. Beamish saved the set and led at 6-5. Mrs. Lycett, however, eventually went out in the twenty-second game.

MRS. LYCETT'S GRIT.

Even at this juncture Mrs. Lycett seemed exhausted. She had to do most of the running, and moreover her kind of game is a much more tiring one than the mechanical precision type as played so well by Mrs. Beamish.

It was not surprising that Mrs. Beamish quickly established what seemed a winning position in the second set of five games to three.

The indomitable pluck of Mrs. Lycett here asserted itself, for she in turn not only levelled the score at five games all but led at 6-5 and again at 8-7.

Mrs. Beamish all the while persevered with her persistent placing and consistent return of the ball and won this set in the eighteenth game.

Everyone thought Mrs. Lycett would retire, but nothing was further from her thoughts.

In the final set Mrs. Beamish went to 4-1, and it appeared as if Mrs. Lycett was doing her best to lose quickly. She served double-faults, hit balls into the net or far beyond the boundaries of the court.

GREAT FINISH.

But by sheer grit and some very fine shots, both off the ground and in the air, Mrs. Lycett crept up to match point. Amid tense silence a longish rally for this point took place. Mrs. Beamish, however, kept Mrs. Lycett on the move. In desperation Mrs. Lycett made an attempt to hit the ball down the line and failed.

Mrs. Beamish smiled a smile of relief, while Mrs. Lycett sighed. Eventually the match went to Mrs. Beamish.

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ARE CRIMINALS CURABLE?
WRONGDOING AS A MEDICAL
PROBLEM.

SEGREGATING THE UNFIT.

(BY WOODS HUTCHINSON, M.A., M.D.,
A LEADING AMERICAN EXPERT.)

The recent meeting in London of the great International Prison Congress, with its cheering reports of steadily emptying prisons almost all over the world, encourages us to raise a further question. How far are we now prepared to treat crime as a medical problem? In other words is crime preventable? Is the criminal curable?

My own first vivid realization of crime as a medical problem dates from a visit to the State Home for Feeble-Minded Children at Vineland, New Jersey.

On tracing the pedigree of inmates it was found that nearly one-third of the 700 children were as closely related as second cousins.

In tracing a new family of delinquents and paupers it was found that in the same towns and regions was another large family who had the same name but were all prosperous and law-abiding citizens.

MAKING OF CRIMINALS.

On looking up the pedigree of these families it was discovered that both were descended from one common ancestor about seven generations back. A young man of good family ran a little wild, and for some time lived with an attractive but feeble-minded and delinquent girl, by whom he had a child. Then he went away to the war of 1776, and on his return reformed and married a respectable girl of excellent family and had several children.

From his child by the feeble-minded girl sprang a family reaching some 150 members in seven generations, nearly all of whom were feeble-minded, petty thieves, drunkards, prostitutes, paupers. From his marriage with the girl of good family sprang a second group of about 180 in the same time, all of whom, with the exception of a few hard drinkers, were respectable, prosperous, law-abiding citizens of good standing in the community.

Weak wit, crazed by wild blood—and we see the sins of the fathers visited upon the children unto the fifth and sixth generations. Wild blood, steeled by sound stock—and the lines "have fallen unto us in pleasant places." One family born to honour, the other to dishonour.

Then came the revelations connected with the famous Jukes family, a tribe of Ishmael.

POISONED BLOOD.

Soon after the death of Dr. Dugdale, who traced the family tree of over 700 delinquents and prostitutes, the records were lost and the family could not be followed further. But after nearly 30 years the records were discovered in a cellar in the reformatory, the history of the tribe was again taken up and followed down to date, and three notorious murderers were found to have been of the Jukes blood, with a swarm of minor offenders. The records were lost, the pedigree forgotten, but the poison of the vagabond, criminal blood, lived on.

A little later, in the great State of Indiana, careful field studies revealed that nearly 35 per cent. of the crimes committed in a ten-year period by native offenders were the work of five defective and criminal families! Sterilization or segregation of five vagabond, worthless couples thirty years before would have cut down the crime roll by 35 per cent.

Feeble-mindedness probably accounts for 30 per cent. of crimes and 90 per cent. of pauperism and prostitution. But planned crimes of violence require strength, brains, and courage. Fifteen years ago the great Kraepelin discovered and described a new form of insanity, *dementia precox*. Such a revolutionary discovery was it that within ten years 45 per cent. of the insane in our asylums were classed as *dementia precox*. This was probably excessive. Now a similar revolution is taking place in our views of crime, and from 30 to 75 per cent. of our criminals are classed as *precox*, which is also "probably excessive."

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But careful and competent psychiatrists, attached to courts, like Jacoby, of Detroit, now regard from 10 to 15 per cent. as insane, from 30 to 40 per cent. as feeble-minded, and from 30 to 40 per cent. more as of "psychopathic constitution," or, in plain English, "cranks" and "misfits," making from 65 to 75 per cent. mentally defective or unbalanced.

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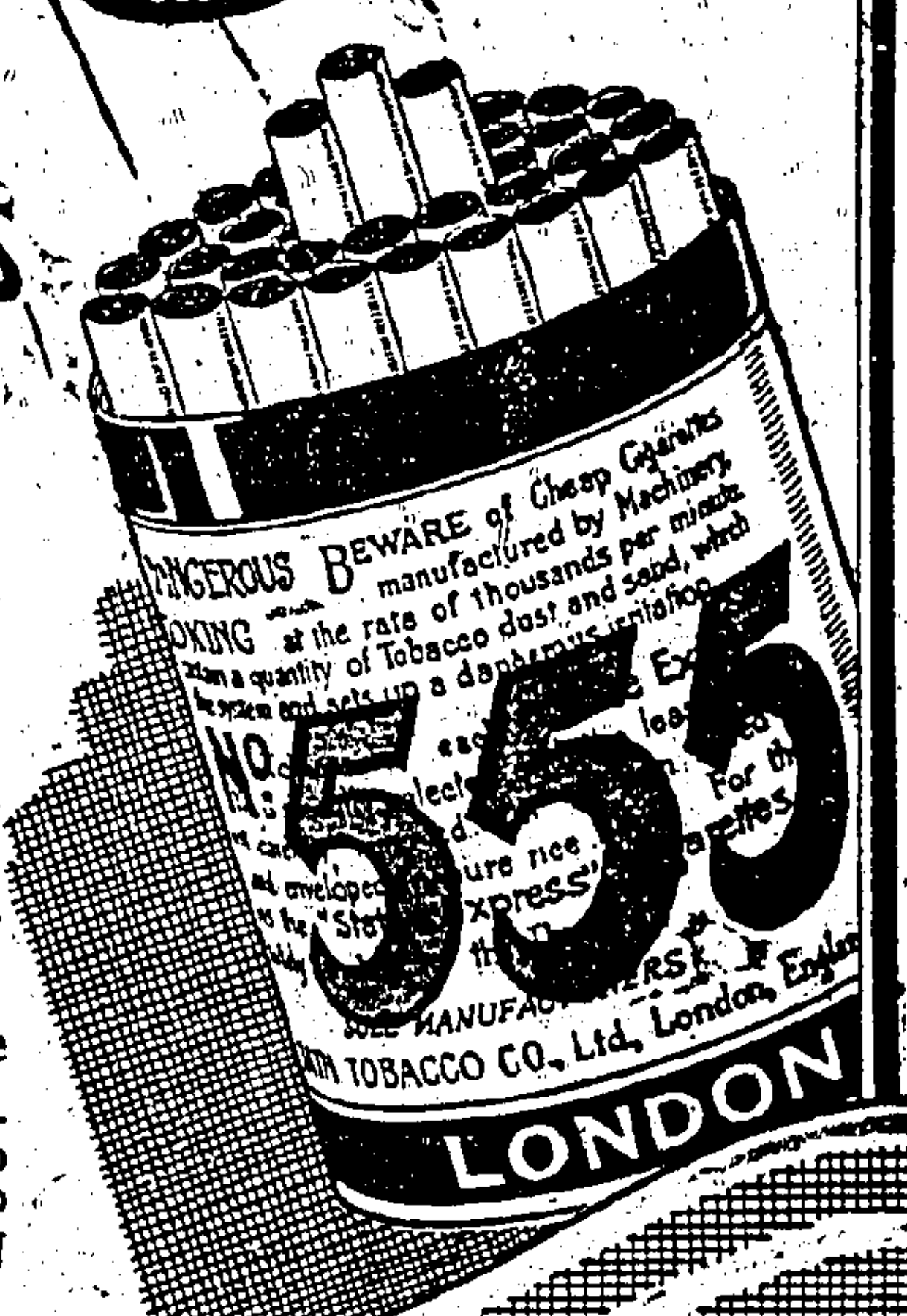
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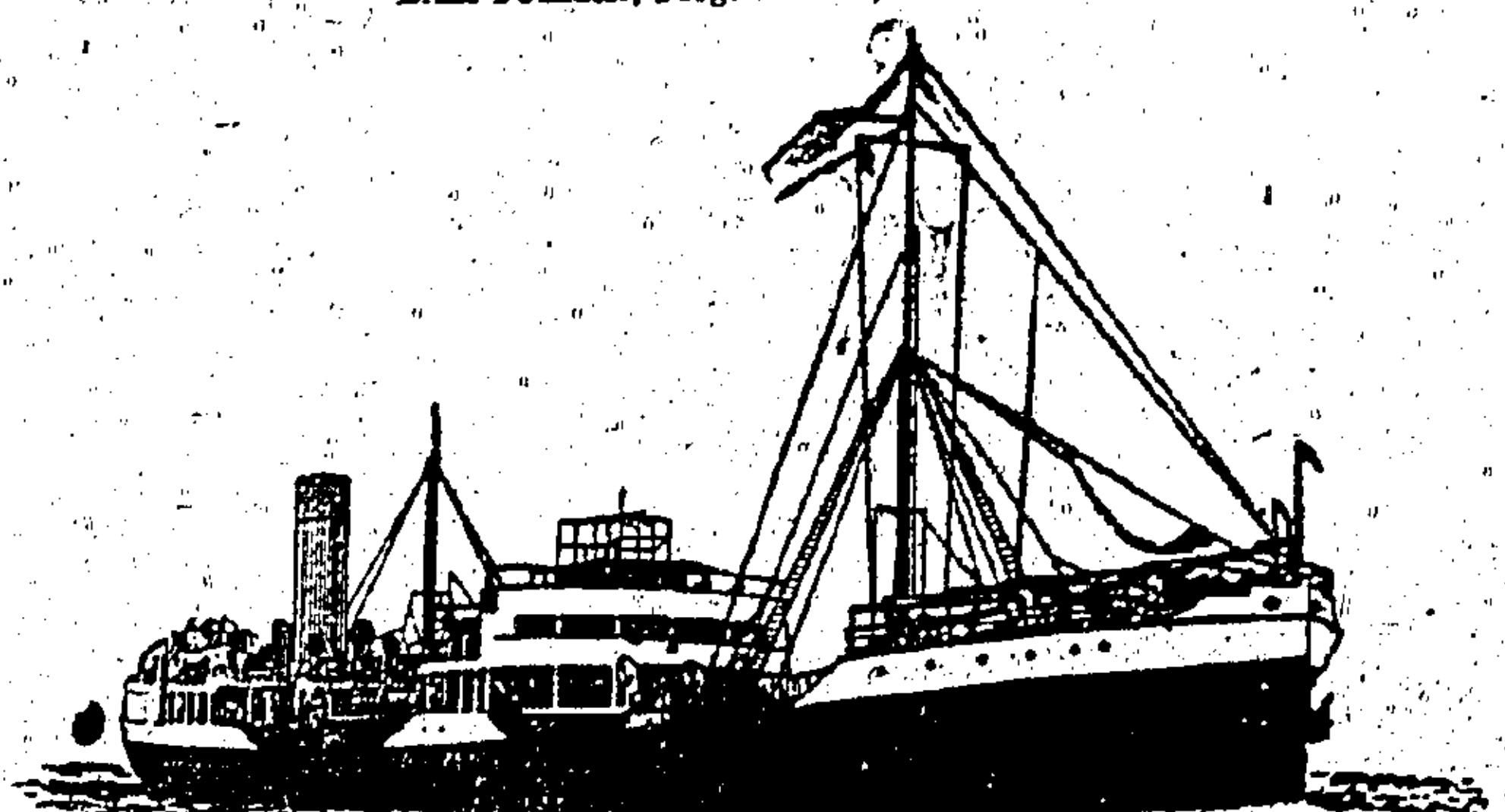


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BRITAIN'S GOLD INFLUX.

MONETARY CONDITIONS EASED.

One of the most interesting incidents, says the *Glasgow Herald*, in the world of money recently has been the large influx of gold to the Bank of England, the total quantity acquired on balance by the Bank since the restoration of the gold standard being £5,870,000. The metal in the form of bars and sovereigns has come from various sources, principally Holland and South Africa, while Russia has also been a substantial contributor.

It does not follow, of course, that all of this bullion is "found" gold to the Bank of England, but even when full allowance is made for the credits drawn against it the additional bullion goes far to ease monetary conditions in this country. Large as the demands of the money market are, £5,000,000 is not a negligible sum, especially when it is remembered that each £1,000,000 of gold is sufficient backing for several millions of credit. The comparatively low interest rates that have obtained for short loans since the beginning of July may be traced largely to the influx that has taken place—to say nothing of the fact that the greater the gold reserve the greater the prospect of maintaining our currency on a favourable level.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

September 22nd.
Elihu Clausen, Norwegian str., from Canton, lying at Stoucutters.
Luchow, British str., 1,216 tons, Capt. J. D. Fraser, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C16-B. & S.
Tenmachus, British str., 1,340 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. A24—Wo Fat Shing.
Teneriffa, Norwegian str., 3,495 tons, Capt. E. Anderson, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—Thorsen & Co.
Tjikarang, Dutch str., 8,084 tons, Capt. P. Hopman, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A4—J.C.C.J.L.
September 23rd.
Hoson Maru, Japanese str., 2,350 tons, Capt. S. Tabata, from Shanghai, with a general cargo and coal, lying at O.S.K. Wharf—O.S.K. and M.B.K.
Kum Sang, British str., 5,447 tons, Capt. H. W. Chandler, from Calcutta via Straits, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Seattle Maru, Japanese str., 3,623 tons, Capt. J. Kurimura, from Calcutta and Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A6—O.S.K.
Sankou, Chinese str., 322 tons, Capt. Lai Kwong, from Kwang Chow Wan, lying at buoy No. C38—Man Yick S.S. Co.
Tango Maru, Japanese str., 6,893 tons, Capt. J. Shinonoya, from Yokohama via Nagasaki, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.
September 24th.
Anhui, for Amoy.
Kanchow, for Tsingtau.
Koku Maru, for Swatow.
Mikio Maru, for Kowloon.
Seattle Maru, for Moji.
Tango Maru, for Manila.
Yuehwei, for Shanghai.

CLEARANCES.

September 23rd.
Anhui, for Amoy.
Kanchow, for Tsingtau.
Koku Maru, for Swatow.
Mikio Maru, for Kowloon.
Seattle Maru, for Moji.
Tango Maru, for Manila.
Yuehwei, for Shanghai.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The s.s. *Gaelic Prince* from New York, sailed from Hankow on September 22nd, and is expected to arrive here on September 29th.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Empress of Asia (C.P.R.), due October 5th.
Empress of Australia (C.P.R.), due to-day.
Tatna (B.I. & Apear), due to-day.

CHINA COAST CHANGES.

The following are the latest changes on the China Coast:—
 Mr. C. R. More, has signed off as master of the *Yatching*.
 Mr. J. Will, has signed off the *Kwung-tung* as supernumerary third engineer and has signed on the *Kingyuan* as third engineer.
 Mr. P. R. Harris, has signed off the *Pheampack* as second mate.
 Mr. G. S. Arthur, has signed off the *Kingyuan* as second engineer.
 Mr. J. Callender, has signed off the *Sochow* as second engineer.
 Mr. J. Buck, has signed off the *Kwung-tung* as supernumerary third engineer.
 Mr. D. C. Jones, has signed off the *Nanning* as second mate.
 Mr. J. R. Shearer, has signed off the *Kanchow* as master.
 Mr. A. Tucker, has signed off as master of the *Tean* and gone master of the *Kanchow*.
 Mr. G. McCallum, has signed off the *Paul Beau* as first engineer.
 Mr. C. G. Will, of the *Hydrangea*, has gone first engineer of the *Paul Beau*.
 Mr. H. G. King and Mr. J. W. Dife have both signed off the *Achilles* as second and third engineer respectively.
 Mr. D. McTavish, has signed off the *Jackman*, and has gone third mate of the *Achilles*.
 Mr. William Dryder, has signed off the *Haining* as third engineer, and has gone chief engineer of the *Haining*.
 Mr. L. F. Paine, has signed off the *Haining* as supernumerary third engineer, and has gone third engineer of the *Haining*.
 Mr. W. Hochstadt, has signed off the *Haitan* as second engineer.
 Mr. G. C. White, of the *Batarcia*, has gone second engineer of the *Haitan*.
 Mr. R. C. Pass, has signed off the *Haitan* as second engineer.
 Mr. H. L. Jett, has signed off the *Derwent* as second mate.
 Mr. William Bell, has signed off the *Tean* as first engineer.
 Mr. W. Pollard, of the *Taming*, has gone second engineer of the *Sochow*.

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Hongkong Observatory, September 23rd

	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.91	29.94	29.90
Temperature	83	77	84
Humidity	73	86	73
Wind Direction	East	Calms	ESE
Force	4	0	3
Weather	0	0	0
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00
Highest open-air Temperature on 23rd			84
Lowest open-air Temperature on 23rd			77

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From Sept. 24th to 30th, 1923.

Days of Week	Days of Month	High Water		Low Water	
		H'kong. Standard Time.	Height	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height
Thurs.	24	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		0 13	6 8	7 41	2 4
		2 3	4 8	8 58	3 8
Fri.	25	0 59	6 4	9 9	2 4
		4 32	4 5	7 42	3
Satur.	26	2 23	6 6	10 39	2 3
		6 11	4 7	8 49	4 5
Sun.	27	3 55	6 7	10 44	4 4
		7 9	4 9	10 44	4 4
Mon.	28	5 28	6 8	0 58	1 7
		7 43	5 2	0 9	4 1
Tues.	29	6 33	7 2	1 44	1 6
		8 19	5 4	1 14	3 6
Wed.	30	7 38	7 4	2 22	1 6
		8 48	5 7		

SHIPPING NOTES.

The shipping statement of yesterday showed that the total number of vessels in the harbour at 9 a.m. was 91, of which 50 were British.

For the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday there were ten arrivals, of which three were British, one American, one Dutch, two Norwegian, two Japanese and one Chinese. Departures numbered 15.

The arrivals were the s.s. *Tjikarang* from Shanghai and Amoy with 1,450 tons of sugar and general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Teneriffa* from Obo and Singapore with 1,100 tons of general cargo; the s.s. *Elihu Clausen* from Canton with a nil entry; the s.s. *Seattle Maru* from Calcutta and Singapore with 41 tons of general cargo, phosphorus and acetic acid and mail; the s.s. *Kum Sang* from Calcutta and Singapore with 1,431 tons of general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Tenmachus* from Saigon with 600 tons of rice and 340 tons of general cargo; the s.s. *Luchow* from Shanghai and Amoy with 1,136 tons of general cargo and mail; the s.s. *Ario* from San Francisco with 8,400 tons of petroleum; the s.s. *Tango Maru* from Yokohama and Nagasaki with 658 tons of safety matches and general cargo and mail and the s.s. *Sun Kong* from Kwang Chow Wan with 250 tons of general cargo.

The departures included the s.s. *Ning-ha* for Port Wallut; the s.s. *Eumeneus* for Singapore; the s.s. *Haining* for Hoihow; the s.s. *Chip Shing* for Tsingtau and the s.s. *Albert Voegler* for Manila.



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EMPRESS OF ASIA	Oct. 15	Oct. 18	Oct. 21	Oct. 24	Nov. 2
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Oct. 30	Nov. 2	Nov. 4	Nov. 7	Nov. 19
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Nov. 12	Nov. 15	Nov. 18	Nov. 21	Nov. 30
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	Nov. 27	Nov. 30	Dec. 2	Dec. 5	Dec. 16
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EMPRESS OF ASIA	Jan. 7	Jan. 10	Jan. 13	Jan. 16	Jan. 25
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Jan. 22	Jan. 25	Jan. 28	Jan. 31	Feb. 8
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Feb. 5	Feb. 8	Feb. 11	Feb. 14	Feb. 22
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Feb. 28	Mar. 10
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 5	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 14	Mar. 22
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Mar. 19	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	Mar. 28	Mar. 30
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 11	Apr. 19
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	Apr. 16	Apr. 19	Apr. 22	Apr. 25	May 5
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Apr. 30	May 3	May 6	May 9	May 17
EMPRESS OF CANADA	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 23	May 31
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 28	May 31	June 3	June 6	June 14
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA	June 11	June 14	June 17	June 20	June 30
EMPRESS OF ASIA	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 4	July 12

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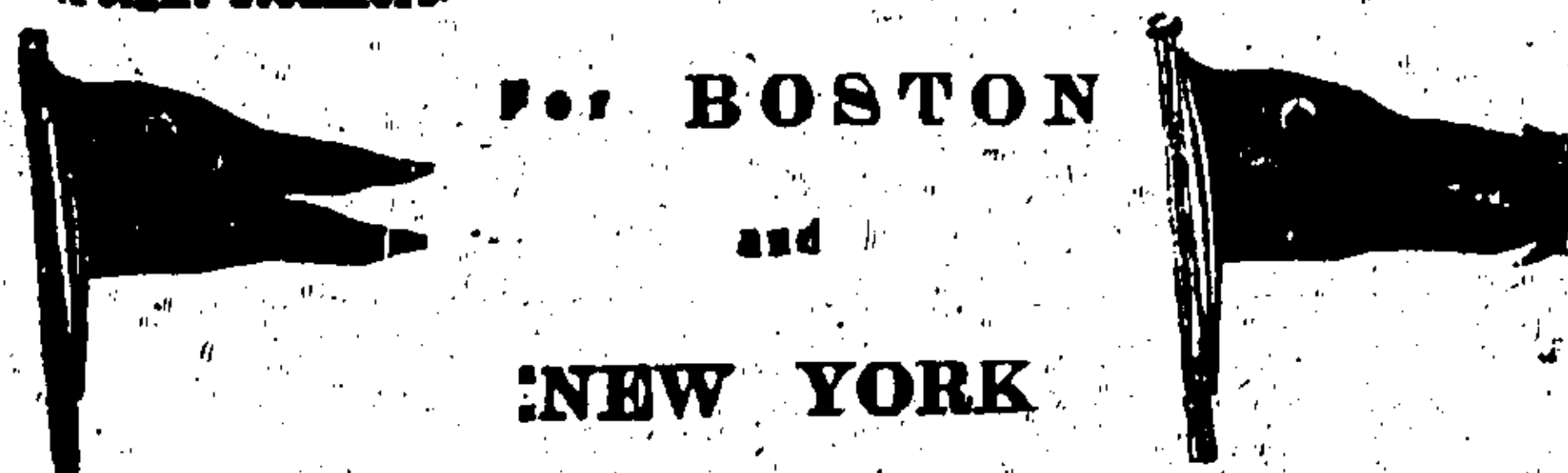
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"MALWA"	10,941	17th Oct.	Marseilles & London.
"SICILIA"	6,313	28th Oct.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"KHIVA"	9,135	31st Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	10,902	14th Nov.	Marseilles & London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	23rd Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
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"MALWA"	10,941	6th Feb.	Marseilles & London.
"KARAKALA"	5,089	20th Feb.	Mars, L'don., & A'warp.
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"ST. ALBANS"	4,000	10th Oct.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"GABRIEL"	5,247	18th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	17th Oct.	do.
"KALYAN"	9,144	1st Nov.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	7th Nov.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MOREA"	10,911	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	9,955	14th Nov.	S'hai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,008	28th Nov.	do.
"SOUJAN"	5,095	29th Nov.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	14th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	9,955	18th Dec.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KHIVA"	9,135	26th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TALMA"	10,000	1926	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,941	9th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"DELTA"	9,097	9th Jan.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,000	8th Jan.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KARAKALA"	5,089	23rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	6th Feb.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	6th Feb.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KHIVA"	9,135	20th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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